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| 3 | COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY,) |
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| 5 |) No. 10-0467 |
| б | Proposed general increase in) electric rates. (Tariffs filed) |
| 7 | June 30, 2010.) |
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| 12 | Administrative Law Judges. |
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- 1 JUDGE DOLAN: By the direction and authority of
- 2 the Illinois Commerce Commission, I call Docket
- 3 No. 10-0467, Commonwealth Edison, proposed increase
- 4 in rates, to order.
- 5 Would the parties please identify
- 6 themselves for the record.
- 7 MR. BERNET: On behalf of Commonwealth Edison
- 8 Company, Eugene Bernstein, Michael Pabian and
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- 16 MR. FEELEY: Representing Staff of the Illinois
- 17 Commerce Commission, John Feeley, Megan McNeill and
- 18 Jennifer Lin from the Office of General Counsel,
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- 20 Illinois 60601.
- 21 MR. TOWNSEND: On behalf of the Coalition to
- 22 Request Equitable Allocation of Costs Together, or

- 1 REACT, the law firm of DLA Piper, LLP, US, 203
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- 14 MR. FOX: Gerard T. Fox, Two Prudential Plaza,
- 15 180 North Stetson, Suite 3500, Chicago, Illinois
- 16 60601, appearing on behalf of the Retail Energy
- 17 Supply Association.
- 18 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Is there any other
- 19 appearances?
- 20 Let the record reflect there are none.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: And we're connected to
- 22 Springfield, right?

- 1 You can see us and hear us?
- 2 A VOICE: Yes, we can.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Just checking.
- 4 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Jolly, you want to get your
- 5 appearance on file?
- 6 MR. JOLLY: Sure.
- 7 On behalf of the City of Chicago,
- 8 Ronald D. Jolly, 30 North LaSalle, Suite 1400,
- 9 Chicago, Illinois 60602.
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay. REACT calls
- 11 Jeffrey Merola.
- 12 MR. FOX: One preliminary matter.
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: If you may. Yeah. Sure.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. I take it there's no
- 15 cross for Mr. Boston?
- 16 MR. FOX: I believe that's correct, too. Yes.
- 17 JUDGE DOLAN: Yeah. I think so.
- 18 MR. FOX: At this time, the Retail Energy Supply
- 19 Association would like to move for the admission of
- 20 their evidence in this case consisting of RESA
- 21 Exhibit 1.0-C, which is the direct testimony,
- 22 corrected, of Roy Boston; RESA Exhibit 2.0, the

- 1 rebuttal testimony of Roy Boston; and RESA
- 2 Exhibit 3.0, the affidavit of Roy Boston and
- 3 supporting Exhibits 1.0-C and 2.0.
- 4 JUDGE DOLAN: Is there any objections?
- 5 Hearing none, then RESA Exhibit 1.0-C,
- 6 2.0 and 3.0 will be admitted into the record.
- 7 MR. FOX: Thank you.
- 8 (Whereupon, RESA
- 9 Exhibit Nos. 1.0-C, 2.0 and 3.0
- 10 were admitted into evidence as
- of this date.)
- MR. TOWNSEND: And with that, your Honors, REACT
- 13 calls Jeffrey Merola.
- 14 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Mr. Merola, you want to
- 15 please step forward? You want to raise your right
- 16 hand?
- 17 (Witness sworn.)
- 18 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Thank you.
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- 1 JEFFREY MEROLA,
- 2 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 3 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 4 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 5 BY
- 6 MR. TOWNSEND:
- 7 Q. Would you please state your name and spell
- 8 your last name for the record.
- 9 A. It's Jeffrey D. Merola, M-e-r-o-l-a.
- 10 Q. And do you have before you REACT Exhibit
- 11 2.0 entitled The Direct Testimony of Jeffrey Merola
- 12 on behalf of the Coalition to Request Equitable
- 13 Allocation of Costs Together?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- 15 Q. And attached to that are there
- 16 Exhibits 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, as well as 2.6 and 2.11 --
- 17 I'm sorry -- through 2.11?
- 18 A. Yes. That's correct.
- 19 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honors, we'd note that, for
- 20 the record, those were all filed on eDocket on
- 21 November 19th, 2010.
- 22 BY MR. TOWNSEND:

- 1 Q. Do you also have before you corrected
- 2 Exhibits 2.4 and 2.5?
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: So we're calling those 2.4-C and
- 4 2.5-C?
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: 5-C, correct.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.
- 7 MR. TOWNSEND: And we'd note, for the record,
- 8 your Honors -- did you have a point, your Honor?
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: I was going to say, you need to
- 10 like keep it up under your chin level for optimal
- 11 hearing.
- 12 (Discussion off the record.)
- MR. TOWNSEND: We would note for the record the
- 14 corrected exhibits were filed on eDocket on
- 15 December 27th, 2010.
- 16 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 17 Q. And do you intend for those documents to be
- 18 your prefiled direct testimony in this proceeding,
- 19 Mr. Merola?
- 20 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 21 Q. And were they prepared by you or under your
- 22 direction and control?

- 1 A. Yes, they were.
- 2 Q. Do you have any additional changes or
- 3 corrections to those documents?
- 4 A. Yes, I have several corrections to the text
- 5 to ensure that the text conforms to the changes on
- 6 corrected Exhibit 2.4 and corrected Exhibit 2.5.
- 7 Q. Could you please run through those quickly
- 8 on the record.
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 On Page 10, Line 202, the --
- 11 MR. BERNSTEIN: Excuse me.
- 12 Which document?
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: The direct testimony, Exhibit
- 14 2.0.
- 15 THE WITNESS: So on Page 10, Line 202, the value
- 16 that says 7.1 percent should read 7.2 percent.
- On Page 20, Line 423, the value that
- 18 states 259.0 million should state 259.1 million.
- 19 On Page 30, Line 639, the value that states 7.1
- 20 percent should state 7.2 percent. On Page 30,
- 21 Line 644, the value that states 20.7 percent
- 22 should state 20.9 percent. And on Line -- on Page

- 1 31, Line 647, the value that states 20.7 percent
- 2 should also read 20.9 percent.
- And, lastly, on Page 31, Line 648, the
- 4 value that reads 435.3 million should read 434.0
- 5 million.
- 6 JUDGE SAINSOT: What was that last number,
- 7 Mr. Merola?
- 8 THE WITNESS: On Page 31, Line 648, the value
- 9 that reads 435.3 million should read 434.0 million.
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: And, your Honors, we do have
- 11 hand-marked versions that we can provide for the
- 12 record.
- 13 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Thank you.
- 14 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 15 Q. And, Mr. Merola, do you also before you
- 16 what has been marked as REACT Exhibit 5.0, The
- 17 Rebuttal Testimony of Jeffrey Merola, with attached
- 18 Exhibits 5.1 and 5.2?
- 19 A. Yes, I do.
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: We'd note for the record, your
- 21 Honors, that those were filed on eDocket on
- 22 December 30th, 2010.

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. Were those prepared by you or under your
- 3 direction and control?
- 4 A. Yes, they were.
- 5 Q. And do you intend for those documents to be
- 6 your prefiled rebuttal testimony in this
- 7 proceeding?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. Do you have any corrections to that
- 10 prefiled rebuttal testimony?
- 11 A. Just one correction.
- 12 On Page 1, the title right before Line 1
- 13 reads, Direct Testimony of Jeffrey Merola. It
- 14 should read, Rebuttal Testimony of Jeffrey Merola.
- 15 Q. Do you have any other corrections to that
- 16 testimony?
- 17 **A.** No, I do not.
- MR. TOWNSEND: With that, your Honors, we'd move
- 19 for admission of REACT Exhibit 2.0, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3,
- 20 2.4-C, 2.5-C, 2.6 through 2.11; REACT Exhibits 5.0,
- 21 5.1 and 5.2.
- 22 JUDGE SAINSOT: Any objection?

- 1 MR. BERNSTEIN: No objection.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Hearing none, your motion
- 3 is granted and REACT Exhibit 2.0, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3,
- 4 2.4, and 2.5, both of which are corrected, 2.6
- 5 through 2.11, as well as REACT Exhibit 5.0, 5.1 and
- 6 5.2 are all admitted into evidence.
- 7 (Whereupon, REACT
- 8 Exhibit Nos. 2.0, 2.1, 2.2, 2.3,
- 9 2.4, and 2.5, 2.6 through 2.11,
- 10 and 5.0, 5.1 and 5.2 were
- 11 admitted into evidence as
- of this date.)
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: Thank you, your Honor.
- 14 And we tender Mr. Merola for
- 15 cross-examination.
- 16 JUDGE DOLAN: Counsel?
- 17 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 18 BY
- MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 20 Q. Good morning, Mr. Merola. I'm Gene
- 21 Bernstein for ComEd this morning.
- 22 First of all, let me begin by

- 1 complimenting you on your taste in neckties. I
- 2 think we may be wearing the same tie.
- 3 A. Very close, yes.
- 4 Q. We've met twice previously here at the
- 5 Commission, both times when you testified before
- 6 this Commission on ComEd rate matters on the
- 7 subject of customer care costs.
- 8 Do you recall those?
- 9 **A.** I do.
- 10 Q. You first testified on customer care cost
- 11 issues before this Commission in Docket 07-0566.
- 12 Do you recall that?
- 13 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 14 Q. Docket 07-0566 was initiated with the
- 15 filing of tariffs by ComEd on October 17, 2007; is
- 16 that right?
- 17 A. I don't remember the specific dates.
- 18 Q. Let me just quickly refresh your
- 19 recollection and show you the order that was
- 20 entered in that docket that shows in the caption of
- 21 the case.
- 22 MR. TOWNSEND: Mr. Bernstein, we're willing to

- 1 accept that, subject to check.
- 2 MR. BERNSTEIN: I don't like the subject to
- 3 check by it; but if you'll stipulate to that,
- 4 that's fine.
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: Sure. We'll stipulate.
- 6 October 17th, 2007?
- 7 MR. BERNSTEIN: Yes.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay.
- 9 BY MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 10 Q. In your rebuttal testimony in that docket,
- 11 which was designated, I believe, as REACT Corrected
- 12 Exhibit 7.0, you used an allocation factor of 40
- 13 percent, correct?
- 14 A. Could I have a copy of it in front -- I
- 15 just don't remember any context.
- 16 MR. BERSTEIN: Your Honors, I was just showing
- 17 this document to Mr. Merola to refresh his
- 18 recollection. I wasn't intending to offer this
- 19 into evidence.
- I don't see any purpose to doing that.
- 21 But if you prefer, I can mark it.
- 22 MR. TOWNSEND: That's all right.

- 1 MR. BERNSTEIN: For the record, I'm showing
- 2 Mr. Merola an excerpt of his testimony from that
- 3 docket and asking him just to review it to refresh
- 4 his recollection.
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: Page 20 of that testimony.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Yes. And reading through to
- 7 refresh my memory, I basically used a two-step
- 8 process.
- 9 So I first allocated costs based on a
- 10 50-percent -- basically, an even split between
- 11 delivery and supply, but I allocated that to 80
- 12 percent of the costs, which then had the net effect
- 13 of 40 percent allocation.
- 14 BY MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 15 **Q.** Right.
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Merola, please keep your
- 17 voice up a little.
- 18 BY MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 19 Q. Now, you also testified on customer care
- 20 cost issues in Docket 08-0532, which people around
- 21 here refer to with various names. I'm going to
- 22 refer to it simply as the rate design

- 1 investigation.
- 2 You'll understand that that's the docket
- 3 I'm referring to when I use that term?
- 4 A. Yes, I understand that.
- 5 Q. That docket was initiated by the Commission
- 6 in September of 2008 that culminated in an order
- 7 entered on April 21, 2010; is that correct?
- 8 A. Again, I don't remember the specific dates,
- 9 but I do recall that it culminated in an order.
- 10 MR. BERNSTEIN: Your Honors, again, I'm showing
- 11 Mr. Merola a document, the final order entered in
- 12 Docket 08-0532, merely for the purpose of
- 13 refreshing his recollection. I don't intend to
- 14 offer it into evidence.
- 15 BY MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 16 Q. Mr. Merola, I'm going to ask you just a
- 17 couple questions briefly that it may help to refer
- 18 to Pages 61 and 62 of that order to refresh your
- 19 recollection specifically. It's a lengthy
- 20 document, obviously.
- 21 **A.** I'm sorry. 61 and 62?
- 22 **Q.** Yes.

- 1 MR. TOWNSEND: And the version that you handed
- 2 me is marked -- is, likewise, the version that you
- 3 handed to Mr. Merola?
- 4 MR. BERNSTEIN: It's just a photocopy of the
- 5 Commission's order.
- 6 MR. TOWNSEND: With hand markings on it?
- 7 MR. BERNSTEIN: I think I gave you my copy.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: I didn't know if you --
- 9 likewise --
- 10 THE WITNESS: Mine just has brackets on some of
- 11 the paragraphs.
- 12 MR. BERNSTEIN: Oh, okay.
- MR. TOWNSEND: Yeah. Same.
- 14 MR. BERNSTEIN: I have a cheat sheet as to the
- 15 sections that I'm going to refer to.
- 16 MR. TOWNSEND: Fair enough.
- 17 Did you want him to review those pages
- 18 first or are you just going to refer to them?
- 19 MR. BERNSTEIN: I want him to take a few moments
- 20 and review those portions.
- 21 As long as we're taking advantage of my
- 22 markings, pay special attention to the ones that

- 1 I've marked because those are the ones I'm going to
- 2 ask you about.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Okay. So you want me to review
- 4 Page 61 and 62?
- 5 BY MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 6 Q. Just -- or if you want to listen to the
- 7 question and then turn to those, we can do it that
- 8 way, too. However, you want to proceed.
- 9 I don't think you need to study the
- 10 whole two-page section.
- MR. TOWNSEND: Please go ahead with the
- 12 questions, if you like. And with your indulgence,
- 13 if Mr. Merola needs to review further, he'll take
- 14 the time to do so.
- 15 BY MR. BERNSTEIN:
- 16 Q. The order in 08-0532 indicates, in
- 17 summarizing your testimony, that you calculated
- 18 allocated customer care costs by, among other
- 19 things, using factors of 50 percent to effect an
- 20 equal split, 50 percent of the delivery function
- 21 and 50 percent to the supply function; isn't that
- 22 right?

- 1 A. Yes, the order makes reference to that.
- 2 Q. At Page 68 of that same order, the
- 3 Commission concluded on this issue, among other
- 4 things, and I quote, Staff also touches on the
- 5 implications of adopting REACT's proposal, but it
- 6 is hard to evaluate the best outcome without having
- 7 the results of an embedded cost of service study
- 8 performed by the Company. REACT asserts that it
- 9 has done such a study, but its arbitrary 50/50
- 10 allocator renders it almost useless.
- 11 Did I read that correctly?
- 12 A. Yes, you read it correctly.
- 13 Q. Now, let's turn to your direct testimony in
- 14 this docket, specifically, REACT Exhibit 2.0.
- 15 At Page 28, Lines 590 through 594 --
- 16 I'll pause while you get to that point.
- 17 A. I'm sorry. Can you repeat those line
- 18 numbers?
- 19 Q. Sure. Page 28, Lines 590 to 594.
- 20 A. Okay. I'm there.
- 21 **Q.** But I'm not.
- 22 The following appears:

- 1 Question: How did you adjust ComEd's
- 2 billing calculation allocator? Given the
- 3 significant investments by ComEd in systems, people
- 4 and infrastructure, it is far more reasonable to
- 5 assume that these investments and costs are equally
- 6 used to support calculation of both supply and
- 7 delivery bill. So I allocated the costs evenly
- 8 between delivery and supply.
- Now, my question to you is, when you say
- 10 in that passage that you allocated the costs evenly
- 11 between delivery and supply, does that mean you
- 12 allocated the costs 50 percent delivery and 50
- 13 percent to supply?
- 14 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 15 Q. At -- in your rebuttal testimony,
- 16 Exhibit 5.0, Pages -- Page 20, Lines 414 to 424.
- 17 Again, you refer to the 50/50 allocation or
- 18 splitting the costs evenly between the two
- 19 functions, correct?
- 20 A. Yes, I discuss there that I -- in the
- 21 absence of any information provided by ComEd to
- 22 allocate those costs by any other reasonable

- 1 method, I used a default assumption of an even
- 2 splitting between the two because these are
- 3 undisputably (sic) common costs that support both
- 4 the delivery and the supply function.
- 5 Q. What do you mean by "common costs"?
- 6 Does common costs refer to costs that
- 7 can be attributed to and are caused by both the
- 8 delivery function and the supply function?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. In determining whether customer care costs
- 11 should be recovered in delivery service rates or
- 12 elsewhere, it's appropriate to examine the nature
- 13 of the costs with an eye to determining which
- 14 service, delivery or supply or perhaps both, causes
- 15 ComEd to incur the costs. You would agree?
- 16 A. If I understood your question, yes, the
- 17 cost -- it's important to review the drivers of the
- 18 underlying costs to determine how those costs
- 19 should be allocated.
- 20 Q. And both you and ComEd consider that
- 21 analysis as central to assuring that the principle
- 22 of cost causation is followed, correct?

- 1 A. I would agree that I did. I don't agree
- 2 that all the methodologies that ComEd used serve
- 3 that purpose.
- 4 Q. Well, you may disagree in the allocation
- 5 study, for example, as to how ComEd allocated
- 6 costs, but you both were attempting to identify and
- 7 attribute the cost to the cost causer, weren't you?
- 8 A. I want to be clear because you made the
- 9 first statement generically and ComEd performed two
- 10 different cost allocation methods.
- 11 Q. Oh, I'm referring to the second analysis,
- 12 to the allocation study which corresponds to your
- 13 analysis.
- 14 A. Yes, in the allocation study, ComEd made an
- 15 attempt at allocating costs between the delivery
- 16 and the supply function.
- 17 Q. Just to be clear, "common costs," the
- 18 phrase you used a moment ago, refers to the idea
- 19 that some costs are caused in part by the provision
- 20 of delivery service and in part by the provision of
- 21 supply services, correct?
- 22 A. Yes, that's correct.

- 1 Q. Now, we agree that some customer care costs
- 2 are not common costs to be allocated or split
- 3 between functions. And, specifically, I have in
- 4 mind advertising costs and metering service costs.
- 5 Isn't that right?
- 6 A. Yes, I agree that the metering services and
- 7 the advertising costs should be allocated to the
- 8 delivery services function as ComEd has done.
- 9 Q. And, in fact, that's reflected in your
- 10 prepared testimony, correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. Now, at Pages 14 and 15 of your direct
- 13 testimony, you address this subject, correct?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- 15 Q. Let's focus for a moment just on the
- 16 advertising cost.
- By reason of the nature of the
- 18 advertising that ComEd undertakes, that is to say,
- 19 looking at the message, the words that are conveyed
- 20 in the advertisements, you agree that those costs
- 21 should go to the delivery function only, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Quite simply, customers taking supply
- 2 service from ComEd do not drive or contribute in
- 3 any way to the level of ComEd's advertising costs,
- 4 to the extent those costs are limited to the
- 5 subject matter that we've talked about, the words
- 6 we talked about?
- 7 A. I'm sorry. You confused me with the end of
- 8 that question.
- 9 Q. Let me state that without the last
- 10 qualification. I think I've confused you and
- 11 probably myself as well.
- 12 Customers taking supply service from
- 13 ComEd do not drive or in any way contribute to the
- 14 level of ComEd's advertising costs, do they?
- 15 A. It's my understanding from reading, I
- 16 believe, Mr. Donovan's testimony, that the nature
- 17 of the advertising costs are related to things like
- 18 safety and delivery services.
- So, no, they're not related to the
- 20 supply services.
- 21 Q. Yeah, that's the qualifier I tried to slip
- 22 in and messed up. You said it better than I did.

- 1 Thank you.
- Now, let's look over to the other
- 3 category that you treated similarly, metering
- 4 services costs.
- 5 Each customer taking delivery service
- 6 from ComEd requires a meter that measures and
- 7 records his usage, correct?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 Q. And, of course, that same meter is used to
- 10 record the customer's usage, either kilowatts or
- 11 kilowatt-hours, that is used in determining the
- 12 supply charges for which he will be responsible,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. Are you referring to a situation where
- 15 ComEd performs the supply -- or performs a supply
- 16 function or --
- 17 Q. In any situation, regardless of who the
- 18 supplier is, there's one meter, right?
- 19 A. Yes, there would be -- relative to ComEd
- 20 and the distribution system, there would be one
- 21 meter. If the supplier installed a different meter
- 22 for their purposes, it would be an independent

- 1 effort.
- 2 Q. The costs incurred in providing that meter
- 3 to the customer would seem to be, at least at a
- 4 superficial level, a common cost attributable to
- 5 both supply and delivery; isn't that right?
- 6 A. The metering services function is necessary
- 7 to support both delivery and the supply function,
- 8 yes.
- 9 Q. Yet, you agree with ComEd that metering
- 10 service costs should be 100 percent the
- 11 responsibility of the delivery service function,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. I do agree with that, and the reason I
- 14 agree with that is because metering services,
- 15 unlike the other customer care costs, are provided
- 16 by ComEd regardless of whether or not they provide
- 17 the supply.
- 18 That's unlike things like billing and
- 19 payment processing and customer call center
- 20 functions where ComEd does not provide the
- 21 supply-related portion of those services, if they
- 22 are not providing supply.

- 1 Q. Would it be fair to say, at least with
- 2 respect to metering service costs, that customers
- 3 taking supply service from ComEd do not drive the
- 4 level of ComEd's metering service costs, do they?
- 5 A. I'm sorry. Could you repeat the question?
- 6 I didn't -- I just want to make sure I understood
- 7 the beginning of it.
- 8 **Q.** Sure.
- 9 Would you read that back, please.
- 10 (Record read as requested?)
- 11 THE WITNESS: That's correct.
- MR. BERNSTEIN: That's all I have.
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 JUDGE DOLAN: Any redirect?
- MR. TOWNSEND: Can we have a moment, your Honor?
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sure.
- 17 JUDGE DOLAN: Sure. Go off the record.
- 18 (Pause.)
- 19 JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Back on the record.
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: We do have a few lines, your
- 21 Honor.
- 22 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay.

- 1 MR. TOWNSEND: Thank you.
- 2 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 3 BY
- 4 MR. TOWNSEND:
- 5 Q. Mr. Merola, do you recall Mr. Bernstein
- 6 asking you about your testimony in Docket 07-0566,
- 7 the 2007 ComEd rate case?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
- 9 Q. Do you believe that your testimony in that
- 10 case is consistent with the position that you've
- 11 put forth in this case?
- 12 A. Yes, I believe that my position is
- 13 consistent. The information and available
- 14 information has evolved throughout the various
- 15 cases.
- 16 Q. So can you explain how your position there
- 17 was consistent when you had a 40 percent allocator
- 18 is consistent with your position here where you
- 19 have additional allocators?
- 20 A. Yes. In that original case, the -- there
- 21 was no analysis, no information available in terms
- 22 of how those costs should be treated. We did

- 1 numerous data requests to inquire to ComEd if there
- 2 was available information to perform or compute an
- 3 allocator for the customer care costs relative to
- 4 delivery and supply, but there was no -- no
- 5 information available to do that.
- 6 So in the absence of -- in the absence
- 7 of specific data, based on my experience and
- 8 understanding that the costs clearly again
- 9 indisputably support both delivery and supply, I
- 10 allocated those costs evenly between the delivery
- 11 and supply functions.
- 12 That theme has been consistent as we've
- 13 gone from that to the rate design investigation and
- 14 now to this case. The difference is that the -- in
- 15 this case, as instructed by the Commission, ComEd
- 16 has performed an analysis of how those costs should
- 17 be split between delivery and supply. And I used
- 18 that default 50/50 allocator for those areas where
- 19 the process by which they did that seems to have no
- 20 relation to the underlying costs involved.
- 21 Q. So do you believe that your 50/50 allocator
- 22 is arbitrary?

- 1 A. No, I do not.
- 2 Q. Why is that not arbitrary?
- 3 A. Because arbitrary implies that it's just
- 4 picked out of the air. It's not based on any kind
- 5 of analysis or assessment.
- And to the contrary, we've gone to great
- 7 lengths to try to understand and obtain from ComEd
- 8 information that would explain how those costs
- 9 should be allocated.
- 10 So based on my experience and based on
- 11 looking at the underlying drivers, it seems to be a
- 12 very reasonable assumption to assume that those
- 13 costs are evenly supporting the delivery and the
- 14 supply functions.
- 15 Q. Do you recall Mr. Bernstein asking you
- 16 questions about the Commission's findings in the
- 17 08-0532 proceeding, which we've referred to as the
- 18 special investigation proceeding. I believe he
- 19 referred to it as the rate design proceeding.
- Do you recall those questions?
- 21 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 22 Q. Do you recall what the Commission concluded

- 1 with regards to cost allocation in that docket?
- 2 A. Yes, I believe they concluded that ComEd's
- 3 conclusion, which is that less than one percent of
- 4 the customer care costs should be allocated to the
- 5 supply function, in their words, it was difficult
- 6 to imagine that that conclusion was viable or made
- 7 any sense.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: That's all we have, your Honor.
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. Any recross?
- 10 MR. BERNSTEIN: No.
- 11 JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Thank you, sir. You
- 12 can step down.
- 13 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 14 (Recess taken.)
- 15 JUDGE DOLAN: All right. Back on the record.
- 16 (Witness sworn.)
- 17 JUDGE DOLAN: All right.
- 18 Proceed, Counsel.
- 19 MR. ROONEY: Good morning, your Honors.

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- 1 LAWRENCE ALONGI,
- 2 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 3 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 4 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 5 BY
- 6 MR. ROONEY:
- 7 Q. Mr. Alongi, do you have in front of you the
- 8 following exhibits that comprise the testimony that
- 9 you've presented in this proceeding:
- 10 First of all, I'd identify your direct
- 11 testimony, which is ComEd Exhibit 16.0, third
- 12 revised. And attached to that testimony are 23
- 13 exhibits, 16.1, revised; 16.2 through 16.6, 16.7,
- 14 second revised; 16.8, revised; 16.9, revised,
- 15 16.10, second revised?
- 16 A. Can you slow down, please?
- 17 **Q.** Sure.
- 18 **A.** And you were at 16.10.
- 19 Q. Second revised.
- 20 And 16.11 through 16.23 are all revised?
- 21 A. One clarification. Was 16.7 the second
- 22 revised?

- 1 **Q.** Yes, it is.
- 2 A. Yes, I have all that.
- 3 Q. Okay. And, Mr. Alongi, do you also have
- 4 before you supplemental direct testimony, which is
- 5 identified as Commonwealth Edison Exhibit 21.0
- 6 second revised; 21.2 -- I'm sorry -- 21.1, 21.2?
- 7 **A.** Okay.
- 8 Q. 21.3, revised; 21.4, 21.5, 21.6, 21.7 and
- 9 21.8, revised?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Do you also have before you rebuttal
- 12 testimony which was related to rate design --
- 13 excuse me, revenue requirement rebuttal testimony,
- 14 and that's reflected as Commonwealth Edison
- 15 Exhibit 7.0 and attached Exhibits 41.1, 41.2 and
- 16 41.3?
- 17 A. Hang on, because it seems to be out of
- 18 order. I've got 41.
- 19 Q. And that's Exhibit 41.0, along with
- 20 Attachments 41.1, .2, and .3?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. Next is your rate design rebuttal

- 1 testimony that's identified as Commonwealth Edison
- 2 Exhibit 49.0, revised?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. And attached to that testimony are
- 5 Exhibits 49.1, .2, .3, .4, .5, .6; 49.7, revised;
- 6 49.8, .9, .10, .11?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Do you also have in front of you
- 9 surrebuttal testimony related to revenue
- 10 requirement issues that's been identified as
- 11 Commonwealth Exhibit 68.0?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And attached to that exhibit are
- 14 Exhibits 68.1 and 68.2?
- 15 A. That's right.
- 16 Q. And, finally, do you have before you rate
- 17 design rebuttal testimony -- excuse me, surrebuttal
- 18 testimony identified as Commonwealth Edison Company
- 19 Exhibit 73.0, second revised, with attached
- 20 Exhibits 73.1, .2, .3, .4, .5, .6, .7, and 73.8,
- 21 revised?
- 22 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. And that -- and all of that testimony we've
- 2 just identified has been prepared by you or under
- 3 your direction, correct?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 MR. ROONEY: Your Honors, I'd seek to move into
- 6 evidence the direct, supplemental direct, rebuttal,
- 7 rate design rebuttal, surrebuttal and rate design
- 8 surrebuttal testimony and exhibits that I've
- 9 identified and that Mr. Alongi has acknowledged --
- 10 we've provided three copies for the trustee
- 11 (phonetic) as well as verifications for each set of
- 12 testimony.
- 13 JUDGE SAINSOT: Any objection?
- 14 JUDGE DOLAN: Hearing no objection, ComEd
- 15 Exhibit 16.0, third revised; ComEd's Exhibit 16.1,
- 16 revised; Exhibit 16.2 through 16.6, and then ComEd
- 17 16.7, second revised; 16.8, revised; 16.9, revised;
- 18 16.10, second revised; and then 16.11 through
- 19 16.23, revised; 21.0, second revised, 21.1 and .2,
- 20 21.3, revised, 21.4 through 21.7 and 21.8, revised;
- 21 ComEd Exhibit 41.0 through 41.3; ComEd Exhibit
- 22 49.0, revised; 41 -- 49.1 through 49.6, 49.7,

- 1 revised; 49.8 through 49.11; 68.0 through 68.2, and
- 2 ComEd Exhibit 73.0, second revised; ComEd
- 3 Exhibit 73.1 through 73.7, and 73.8 revised will be
- 4 admitted into the record.
- 5 (Whereupon, ComEd
- 6 Exhibit Nos. 16.0, third revised,
- 7 16.1, revised, Exhibit 16.2
- 8 through 16.6, 16.7, second
- 9 revised; 16.8 revised, 16.9,
- 10 revised; 16.10, second revised;
- 11 16.11 through 16.23, revised;
- 12 21.0, second revised, 21.1 and
- 13 .2, 21.3, revised, 21.4 through
- 14 21.7 and 21.8 revised; 41.0
- 15 through 41.3; 49.0, revised; 49.1
- 16 through 49.6; 49.7, revised; 49.8
- 17 through 49.11; 68.0 through 68.2,
- 18 73.0, second revised; 73.1
- 19 through 73.7, and 73.8 were
- 20 admitted into evidence
- 21 as of this date.)
- MR. ROONEY: Thank you very much, your Honor.

- 1 Mr. Alongi's available for
- 2 cross-examination.
- 3 JUDGE DOLAN: Go ahead. Proceed, counsel.
- 4 MR. FEELEY: Can I go first?
- 5 JUDGE DOLAN: Yeah, go ahead.
- 6 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 7 BY
- 8 MR. FEELEY:
- 9 Q. Good morning, Mr. Alongi. My name's John
- 10 Feeley and I represent the Staff.
- 11 A. Good morning.
- 12 Q. I have a few questions for you on primary
- 13 line and substations and class revenue allocations.
- 14 First, some questions about primary lines,
- 15 substation and the lights class.
- 16 Do you know of any substation on the
- 17 ComEd system that is built to serve only lighting
- 18 loads and not the loads of any other classes?
- 19 **A.** No.
- 20 Q. Would you agree that, as a general rule,
- 21 the substations that serve the lighting class also
- 22 serve the loads of other classes?

- 1 A. I would generally agree with that, yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. Do you know of any primary lines
- 3 that are built to serve only lighting loads and not
- 4 the loads of any other classes?
- 5 A. I'm not aware of any, no.
- 6 Q. Okay. Would you agree that, as a general
- 7 rule, the primary lines that serve the lighting
- 8 class also serve the loads of other classes?
- 9 A. I think that's generally true, primarily,
- 10 because lighting is everywhere.
- 11 Q. Okay. Now, some questions for you on the
- 12 class revenue allocations.
- 13 You testified concerning class revenue
- 14 allocations in this case, correct?
- 15 A. I think I provided some tables related to
- 16 the straight, fixed, variable allocations of
- 17 revenues --
- 18 **Q.** Okay.
- 19 A. -- if that's what you're referring to.
- 20 Q. Would you agree that as a general rule,
- 21 class revenue allocation should be based on costs?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Okay. And once the cost of service has
- 2 been determined and found reasonable, would you
- 3 agree that we can tell that revenues for a class
- 4 fully reflect costs if they recover a hundred
- 5 percent of that class's cost of service?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. And once the cost of service has been
- 8 determined and found reasonable, would you agree
- 9 that if revenues for a class recover less than a
- 10 hundred percent of its costs, it does not fully
- 11 recover the costs of service?
- 12 A. I would agree with that, yes.
- 13 Q. And once the cost of service has been
- 14 determined and found reasonable, would you agree
- 15 that if revenues for one class recover less than a
- 16 hundred percent of its costs, at least one other
- 17 class has to recover more than a hundred percent of
- 18 its costs of service for the Company to be made
- 19 whole, correct?
- 20 A. I agree with that. We generally refer to
- 21 that as a zero-sum game.
- 22 Q. And in that situation, would you agree that

- 1 the class recovering less than a hundred percent of
- 2 its cost of service is being subsidized by other
- 3 classes?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And would you agree that the way to remove
- 6 the subsidy for a class is to bring that class up
- 7 to a hundred percent of its cost of service,
- 8 assuming that the cost of service is reasonable?
- 9 A. Yes. And, likewise, the other classes that
- 10 are over-recovering their costs should then be
- 11 brought to 100 percent of their cost.
- 12 Q. Okay. Would you agree that the revenue
- 13 increase for the high voltage class is below the
- 14 average increase for the nonresidential classes
- 15 under all proposed and exemplar class revenue
- 16 allocations presented by the Company in this case?
- 17 A. If you're referring to the fact that we
- 18 followed the Commission's four-step movement to
- 19 costs established in the Company's last rate case,
- 20 I do agree that there are three classes that are
- 21 under-recovering their cost based upon ComEd's
- 22 proposed rates in this case.

- 1 Q. And would you agree that the revenue
- 2 increase for the high voltage class is below the
- 3 average increase for the residential class under
- 4 all proposed and exemplar class revenue allocations
- 5 presented by the Company in this case?
- 6 A. I guess I have to take a look at the rate
- 7 design spreadsheets.
- 8 Your reference was to high voltage?
- 9 Q. High voltage in reference to the
- 10 residential classes. Would you like me to say the
- 11 question again?
- 12 A. Well, I'm -- I'm looking at the ComEd
- 13 Exhibit 73.1, which is ComEd's proposed rate design
- 14 in this case as modified in my rate design
- 15 surrebuttal. And in the column that's labeled
- 16 Percent of EPEC, Column K, it shows that the high
- 17 voltage class is at 85 percent of embedded cost of
- 18 service for that class -- and the two residential
- 19 classes that we have proposed are at 100 percent
- 20 EPEC.
- 21 Q. So after checking those documents, would
- 22 you agree that the revenue increase for the high

- 1 voltage class is below the average increase for the
- 2 residential classes under all proposed and exemplar
- 3 class revenue allocations presented by the Company
- 4 in this case?
- 5 JUDGE SAINSOT: Could you repeat that question?
- 6 MR. FEELEY: Sure.
- 7 BY MR. FEELEY:
- 8 Q. Would you agree that revenue increase for
- 9 the high voltage class is below the average
- 10 increase for the residential classes under all
- 11 proposed and exemplar class revenue allocations
- 12 presented by the Company in this case?
- 13 JUDGE SAINSOT: Thank you.
- 14 THE WITNESS: The percent increase?
- 15 BY MR. FEELEY:
- 16 Q. The revenue increase for the high voltage
- 17 is below the average increase for the residential
- 18 classes under all the allocations presented by the
- 19 Company in this case.
- 20 And percent, yes.
- 21 A. Okay. To take a look at the percent
- 22 increase as opposed to the percent of the embedded

- 1 cost, I have to look at another column.
- 2 And for high voltage -- I'm sorry. I
- 3 don't have that. Is there a particular page or
- 4 table in my testimony that you're referring to?
- 5 Q. I don't have one right now. Maybe if you
- 6 check 49.1.
- 7 A. Well, I think 49.1 has been replaced by
- 8 73.1 --
- 9 **Q.** Okay.
- 10 A. -- which was one of them that I was
- 11 looking, but I guess what I was trying to -- when
- 12 you asked the last question, you asked about the
- 13 percent increase as opposed to the percent of
- 14 embedded cost and I have that for our proposed
- 15 rates. I don't have that for all of the exemplar
- 16 rates.
- 17 So if I looked at the proposed rates, I
- 18 can tell you that single-family rates are
- 19 increasing 23.8 percent over current rates and
- 20 multifamily are increasing 9.2 over the current
- 21 rates, and high voltage is increasing 7.4 percent
- 22 over current rates.

- JUDGE SAINSOT: You need to speak up,
- 2 Mr. Alongi.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Would you like me to repeat that?
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: No, just speak up. Just speak
- 5 louder.
- 6 THE WITNESS: I'll do my best.
- 7 BY MR. FEELEY:
- 8 Q. Are you done or...
- 9 A. The high voltage class increase is 7.4
- 10 percent. So at least for ComEd's proposed rates
- 11 and likely for the exemplar rates, I agree with
- 12 your statement.
- 13 Q. And would you agree that the revenue
- 14 increase for the high voltage class is below the
- 15 average increase for the Company as a whole under
- 16 all proposed and exemplar class revenue allocations
- 17 presented by the Company in this case?
- 18 A. Again, for the proposed increase for the
- 19 high voltage, it was 7.3 or 4 percent.
- 20 Q. I think you said 4.
- 21 **A.** Okay. 7.4 percent.
- 22 And the overall increase for all classes

- 1 was, I think, 17 percent. So I would agree with
- 2 that.
- 3 Q. Okay. Now, to your knowledge, does the
- 4 high voltage class recover a hundred percent of its
- 5 cost of service under any of ComEd's proposed or
- 6 exemplar class revenue allocations under the
- 7 revenue requirement proposed by ComEd in this case?
- 8 A. Not on -- not in any of the three scenarios
- 9 that we presented. They recover less than their
- 10 costs in the proposed, the exempt -- and the two
- 11 exemplars that we presented.
- 12 Q. Okay. Would you agree that based on all
- 13 the costs of -- the study results in class revenue
- 14 allocations presented by ComEd at its proposed
- 15 revenue requirement, the high voltage class is
- 16 being subsidized by other rate classes because it
- 17 recovers less than a hundred percent of its cost of
- 18 service under each of these scenarios?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Are you aware of the class revenue
- 21 allocations proposed by Staff Witness Boggs in this
- 22 case?

- 1 A. Yes. To some extent, yes.
- 2 Q. Would you agree that Staff proposes a
- 3 bigger revenue increase for the higher -- for the
- 4 high voltage, extra large load and railroad classes
- 5 than the Company proposes?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. Would you agree that Staff's proposed
- 8 revenue allocation brings the high voltage, extra
- 9 large load and railroad classes closer to the costs
- 10 than the Company proposal?
- 11 A. I agree, yes.
- 12 Q. Would you agree that Staff's proposed
- 13 revenue allocation produces smaller subsidies for
- 14 the high voltage, extra large and railroad classes
- 15 than the Company proposal?
- 16 A. Yes, I agree.
- 17 MR. FEELEY: Thank you, Mr. Alongi.
- That's all I have.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 20 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- 21 Mr. Jolly?
- 22 MR. JOLLY: Thank you.

- 1 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MR. JOLLY:
- 4 Q. Good morning, Mr. Alongi. I'm Ron Jolly.
- 5 I represent the City of Chicago in this proceeding.
- 6 A. Good morning.
- 7 Q. I'd like to start by reading to you a
- 8 couple of statements from Dr. Hemphill's revised
- 9 direct testimony to see if you agree with those
- 10 statements. And I can show you a copy of his
- 11 testimony, if you wish.
- But why don't I just go ahead and read
- 13 them and you can tell me whether you agree with
- 14 them, okay?
- 15 **A.** Okay.
- 16 Q. The first statement at Page 4 of his direct
- 17 testimony beginning at Line 9, he states, ComEd has
- 18 designed its proposed rates in accordance with
- 19 established rate design policies and basic accepted
- 20 principles of economics.
- Do you agree with that statement?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And then go -- continuing on, on Line 91 at
- 2 the bottom of Page 4 and carrying over to the top
- 3 of Page 5, Dr. Hemphill testified, Cost causation
- 4 has always been a linchpin of appropriate rate
- 5 design.
- 6 Do you agree with that statement?
- 7 A. Not quite sure what he means by "linchpin";
- 8 but I agree cost causation is an important
- 9 principle, yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. And so do you agree that rates
- 11 should be based on costs?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. And that is true for all the rates?
- 14 A. All electric delivery rates?
- 15 **Q.** Yes.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And so that also includes the rates for
- 18 city street-lighting?
- 19 A. Dusk-to-dawn street-lighting, which
- 20 includes the city, yes.
- 21 Q. Okay. Now, the rates that ComEd charges
- 22 for city streetlights, that was a subject that the

- 1 Commission addressed in the rate design docket,
- 2 Docket 08-0532; is that accurate?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. And what was -- what was the purpose of the
- 5 rate design investigation?
- 6 A. Well, if I could refer to the initiating
- 7 order, it might be helpful.
- 8 Q. Well --
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Alongi, you really need to
- 10 speak up. We're broadcasting to Springfield, and I
- 11 want to make sure that they hear you.
- 12 THE WITNESS: I'll certainly do my best. My
- 13 voice does not project well.
- 14 MS. McNEILL: Judge, I'll put another mike at
- 15 his table.
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Is that possible? Do we have an
- 17 extra microphone laying around?
- 18 (Discussion off the record.)
- 19 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 20 Q. Let me just -- rather than going to the
- 21 Commission's initiating order, would you -- would
- 22 it be fair to say that the Commission initiated

- 1 Docket 08-0532 to investigate certain aspects of
- 2 ComEd's embedded cost study?
- 3 A. I think that's a reasonable representation
- 4 of what they --
- 5 Q. Okay. And one of those issues concerned
- 6 the embedded cost study and the city streetlights,
- 7 correct?
- 8 A. Again, I'd have to take a look at the
- 9 investigating -- at the initiating order, but I
- 10 believe street-lighting was one of the items that
- 11 were identified.
- 12 **Q.** Okay.
- 13 A. I can accept that subject to check, as they
- 14 say.
- 15 Q. Okay. Well, you testified in that case,
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 MR. JOLLY: And are we marking excerpts from
- 19 orders as cross exhibits?
- 20 JUDGE DOLAN: No.
- 21 MR. JOLLY: Okay.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: You're not going to move for

- 1 admission?
- 2 MR. JOLLY: No. No. I just asked.
- 3 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 4 Q. Let the record reflect that I handed -- I
- 5 handed -- I handed Mr. Alongi an excerpt from the
- 6 Commission's order -- April 21st, 2010 order in
- 7 Docket 08-0532.
- 8 And, in particular, I was wondering, one
- 9 of the issues that the Commission addressed in its
- 10 order and its -- and in its analysis and conclusion
- 11 concerned secondary service costs with respect to
- 12 city streetlights; is that accurate?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. And if you -- and the Commission
- 15 sets forth its conclusion on that issue at Page 52
- 16 to 53; is that right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And on Page 53 in the last paragraph
- 19 of that conclusion, in the last sentence, the
- 20 Commission states, In the absence of any meaningful
- 21 refutation of the City's calculation by ComEd, we
- 22 direct that the charge for street-lighting service

- 1 drop should be calculated in the manner supported
- 2 by the City of Chicago, which in this instance is
- 3 \$183,000; is that accurate?
- 4 A. Other than the word "supported," your --
- 5 that reading is accurate. It says suggested.
- 6 Q. Oh, I'm sorry. Okay.
- Now, going to your rebuttal testimony --
- 8 your rate design rebuttal testimony, which is
- 9 Exhibit 49.0.
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. At Pages 44 through 45 -- at the
- 12 bottom of pages -- on Page 44 and carrying over to
- 13 the Page 45.
- 14 Are you there?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. And you cite the -- that portion of the
- 17 order that I just read; is that accurate?
- 18 A. Could you repeat that question?
- 19 Q. In your testimony on top of Page 45, you
- 20 cite the portion of the order -- the Commission's
- 21 order in Docket 08-0532 that I just read?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And in your testimony in this case, you
- 2 have (sic) attempted to provide any more meaningful
- 3 refutation of the City's position from the rate
- 4 design case; is that correct?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. And so after -- after quoting the
- 7 Commission's order there on Page 45, you go on to
- 8 explain why ComEd did not provide a more meaningful
- 9 refutation in the prior case; is that accurate?
- 10 And you can...
- 11 A. I don't think that's an explanation of why.
- 12 I think it's additional information as to why we
- 13 disagree with the method that the City of Chicago
- 14 suggested.
- 15 Q. Okay. And you refer to that as "the
- 16 Chicago method, "right?
- 17 A. To make it easy to reference, yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. So if I refer to it as "the Chicago
- 19 method, " you understand that I'm talking about
- 20 Mr. Bodmer's analysis in this case and in the rate
- 21 design case?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. In your testimony in this case, you offer
- 2 certain modifications to Mr. Bodmer's Chicago
- 3 method; is that right?
- 4 A. That's correct.
- 5 Q. And one change you make is to include alley
- 6 lights in the analysis of costs that are -- that
- 7 ComEd incurs in serving the city streetlights; is
- 8 that right?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 The connection of the city alley lights
- 11 to ComEd's distribution system are costs that ComEd
- 12 incurs and should be included in this approach, if
- 13 the Commission agrees that the approach should
- 14 still be used.
- 15 Q. Okay. And that -- and your discussion of
- 16 that is at Pages 48 through 49, Lines 10 -- 1,084
- 17 through 1102 of your rebuttal testimony?
- 18 A. What was the -- what were the line numbers?
- 19 Q. I have 1,084 through 1102.
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 JUDGE SAINSOT: Could you state that again? I'm
- 22 sorry.

- 1 MR. JOLLY: It's Pages 48 through 49,
- 2 Lines 1,084 through 1,102.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: Thank you.
- 4 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 5 Q. Now, attached to your rebuttal testimony,
- 6 your rate design rebuttal testimony was
- 7 Exhibit 49.7; is that right?
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Just to be clear, it's 49.7,
- 9 revised.
- 10 MR. JOLLY: Okay. Yes.
- 11 MR. ROONEY: Thank you.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 13 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 14 Q. And just so I'm clear, the revision that
- 15 was submitted was submitted yesterday and all it
- 16 did was change the -- a reference to an exhibit
- 17 number.
- 18 Do you recall that?
- 19 A. Yes. There's Line 3-1 that referenced the
- 20 source as being ComEd Exhibit 49.5, and that was
- 21 changed to ComEd Exhibit 49.8.
- 22 Q. Okay. Thank you. Because I don't have the

- 1 revised version with me. I wanted to make sure
- 2 that was the only change.
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. Now, could you explain what Exhibit 49.7 is
- 5 designed to do?
- 6 A. This is an expansion of Mr. Bodmer's
- 7 approach to calculating the cost of the secondary
- 8 and surface wire to connect the City of Chicago
- 9 streetlights to include alley lights.
- 10 Q. And the shaded portion of the -- of the
- 11 first page of Exhibit 49.7, that represents your
- 12 inclusion of alley lights into the Chicago method?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. Okay. And looking at -- I believe it's
- 15 Line 4-A, you -- it says there that the -- that the
- 16 line states, Percent used by alley city lights, and
- 17 then it says, 33 percent. And the source is City
- 18 estimate from above.
- 19 Could you explain what that means?
- 20 A. Could you repeat the line number?
- 21 Q. It's -- I think it's 4-A. I may need your
- 22 magnifying glass. I think that's right, though.

- 1 A. What I see in 4-A, it says total feet --
- 2 **Q.** Oh, okay.
- 3 A. -- calculation.
- 4 Q. Okay. Then that's not it. It's the line
- 5 above that.
- 6 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Jolly, you could probably
- 7 just show him what you got.
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Maybe --
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: What you have. Excuse me.
- 10 MR. ROONEY: Maybe just to clarify, I think
- 11 there's actually two 4-As, Mr. Alongi.
- MR. JOLLY: Yeah, there's two 4-As.
- MR. ROONEY: Because there were two 4s in the --
- 14 maybe the City exhibit above. So you have two
- 15 4-As. If you look at the first one.
- 16 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 17 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 18 Q. Do you want me to -- do you see the line
- 19 now?
- 20 A. Yes, I do.
- 21 Q. Okay. And can you explain what that line
- 22 means?

- 1 A. Initially, Mr. Bodmer made an estimate for
- 2 the arterial and residential streetlight
- 3 connections being shared by other customers, and he
- 4 estimated that the arterial and residential
- 5 street-lighting shared only 33 percent of the cost.
- 6 And that -- I can't remember exactly
- 7 what his rationale was, but we just applied that
- 8 same rationale for alley lights.
- 9 Q. Okay. Well, if you go up above to the
- 10 nonshaded part and the first No. 4 where it says,
- 11 Estimate, 33 percent. My understanding is that
- 12 ComEd states that because City arterial and
- 13 residential lights -- the facilities that serve
- 14 City arterial and residential lights also serve
- 15 other customers, and Mr. Bodmer assumed that one
- 16 third of the costs of ComEd facilities should be
- 17 attributed to the City arterial and residential
- 18 lights; is that right?
- 19 A. As opposed to other customers. Yes, that
- 20 was his assumption.
- 21 **Q.** Right.
- 22 And so in the shaded area, you just

- 1 adopted -- you just adopted his 33 percent figure;
- 2 is that correct?
- 3 A. We used it simply to expand his approach to
- 4 include alley lights, yes.
- 5 Q. So you didn't conduct an independent
- 6 analysis to determine whether that 33 percent
- 7 represents an accurate representation of the City
- 8 alley lights use of ComEd's secondary wire and
- 9 transformers and City alleys?
- 10 A. Well, we did take a look at -- if you look
- 11 at ComEd Exhibit 49.8, which is a sample of a set
- 12 of alleys in the City of Chicago where alley lights
- 13 are located, to determine -- the purpose of this
- 14 exhibit was to determine the average length of
- 15 secondary wire from a ComEd transformer to an alley
- 16 light on average.
- 17 So I don't know if that's considered an
- 18 independent analysis of Mr. Bodmer's 33 percent,
- 19 but it is an analysis at least of one aspect of
- 20 Mr. Bodmer's approach.
- 21 Q. Okay. Well, Exhibit 49.8, you -- when you
- 22 derived the average length for -- of wire serving

- 1 the City alley lights, you applied that 33 percent
- 2 to the length of the wire; is that accurate?
- And I think that's on -- well...
- 4 A. It was applied to the cost of the average
- 5 length of wire.
- 6 Q. Times the number of feet that were derived
- 7 from Exhibit 49.8?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. Now, just so the record's clear,
- 10 Mr. Bodmer, he applied the 33 percent figure to the
- 11 length of wire between ComEd's transformer and the
- 12 city controller box where ComEd's system connects
- 13 to City streetlights for residential and arterial
- 14 streets; is that right?
- 15 A. That was his assumption, yes.
- 16 Q. Now, do you agree that there are other
- 17 customers that are served by the secondary wire and
- 18 secondary transformers that serve City alley
- 19 lights?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 **Q.** Now, going to Exhibit 47 -- or 49.8, as you
- 22 said, according to the title, this is a sample of

- 1 alleys with City alley lights in ComEd's secondary
- 2 distribution wire and transformers; is that
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Yes, it is.
- 5 Q. And you have -- there are four alleys set
- 6 forth in Exhibit 49.8?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. Okay. And going from left to right, as I
- 9 read the exhibit, there are five alley lights in
- 10 Alley 1, five alley lights in Alley 2, three alley
- 11 lights in Alley 3 and three alley lights in
- 12 Alley 4; is that accurate?
- 13 A. That's accurate, yes.
- 14 Q. Are you familiar with the portion of the
- 15 city from which your sample alleys are taken?
- 16 A. To some extent. I went to high school at
- 17 Lane Tech at Addison and Western and this borders
- 18 along Western Avenue, so I have some, you know,
- 19 knowledge of the area.
- 20 Q. Do you know -- I mean, Western is a main
- 21 thoroughfare with many commercial customers on it.
- 22 Is that a fair comment?

- 1 A. That's correct. Sure.
- 2 Q. Now, do you know if the streets west of
- 3 Western Avenue, Artesian, Campbell and Maplewood,
- 4 are residential streets?
- 5 A. I believe they are, but I'm not familiar
- 6 with the area right between Highwood and Ardmore,
- 7 but I believe they are.
- 8 MR. JOLLY: May I approach the witness?
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 10 (Whereupon, City Cross
- 11 Exhibit No. 1 was
- 12 marked for identification
- as of this date.)
- 14 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 15 Q. I handed the witness what I have marked as
- 16 City Cross Exhibit 1. And I represent that this is
- 17 an image taken from Google Earth that shows the --
- 18 the four alleys identified in Exhibit 49.8.
- 19 A. I guess I have to trust you because they're
- 20 not identified on Google Apps.
- 21 Q. Okay. Right. Well, I guess what I would
- 22 say is, as you look towards the top, it does say

- 1 4800 North Western. Do you see that?
- I can point it out to you.
- 3 A. Oh, there. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. Well, Ardmore, I believe, is 5800
- 5 north. So...
- 6 A. I accept that.
- 7 Q. Okay. Well, as I -- I'm sorry the image is
- 8 not better; but going from the right on this here,
- 9 there's Western Avenue, the major street, and
- 10 that's Rose Hill Cemetery to the right of that.
- 11 And I see the first alley is behind the
- 12 set of buildings just on the left side of Western?
- 13 **A.** Okay.
- 14 Q. All right. And then the next, going -- as
- 15 you go left, there's a clump of trees. That's a
- 16 residential street. And then the next kind of --
- 17 the next thoroughfare is an alley. Clump of trees
- 18 is a residential street. Alley; clump of trees;
- 19 alley.
- So, as I count, that's one, two, three,
- 21 four alleys.
- 22 A. I agree.

- 1 Q. Okay. And assuming that my -- this is an
- 2 accurate image of what's in Exhibit 49.8, would you
- 3 agree that there are many residential customers
- 4 served by the secondary facilities that are in each
- 5 of these alleys?
- 6 A. I would agree that there are many
- 7 residential...
- 8 Q. And would you agree that there are probably
- 9 at least 20 houses per alley that are served?
- 10 MR. ROONEY: Just for clarification, Mr. Jolly,
- 11 when you say "served," where -- where ComEd's
- 12 providing distribution service off of the same
- 13 lines --
- 14 MR. JOLLY: Yeah.
- 15 MR. ROONEY: -- that are serving the
- 16 streetlights or the alley lights in the alley?
- MR. JOLLY: Yes, that's what I mean.
- 18 THE WITNESS: I would agree that there were --
- 19 in the alleys where the alley lights are located,
- 20 the Commonwealth Edison secondary in those alleys
- 21 served 20 or so houses in each alley. Sure.
- 22 BY MR. JOLLY:

- 1 Q. Okay. And you're familiar with the
- 2 distribution system in Chicago?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. And homes, by and large, are served from
- 5 the alley from the wires that go through City
- 6 alleys; is that correct?
- 7 A. By and large, that's correct.
- 8 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Jolly, just for the record,
- 9 I don't think it's clear that these are all houses.
- 10 They all have flat roofs. They could very well be
- 11 two-flats or three-flats.
- 12 MR. JOLLY: That's correct. And I --
- 13 JUDGE SAINSOT: Or larger.
- 14 MR. JOLLY: And I think that the structures on
- 15 Western, I think, are businesses, actually, but
- 16 they're houses or multifamily residences.
- 17 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 18 Q. Do you know what the wattage is of the
- 19 typical City alley light?
- 20 A. I'm not sure. I think it might be 250
- 21 watts.
- 22 Q. Okay. So if it's 250 watts and there

- 1 are -- looking at Alley 1, and there are five
- 2 lights, that's a total of 1250 watts; is that
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. My calculator -- I'm sorry.
- Well, 2500, you said? Is that what
- 6 you --
- 7 Q. No. 250 times five --
- 8 A. Oh.
- 9 **Q.** -- would be 1,250?
- 10 A. Yeah, 1250. Right.
- 11 Q. Okay. And that's equal to 1.25 kilowatts?
- 12 A. Depending on the power factor, the
- 13 kilowatts, yes.
- 14 Q. Okay. And so to determine the
- 15 kilowatt-hour usage, assuming that the City
- 16 streetlights -- or City alley lights are on for 12
- 17 hours, would you multiply that 1.25 for the one
- 18 alley with five lights, 1.25 times 12, right, times
- 19 365 to determine the amount of kilowatt-hours that
- 20 the City -- the City alley lights use in a year?
- 21 A. In that one alley, yes.
- 22 **Q.** I'm sorry?

- 1 A. In that one alley, yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. Would you accept, subject to check,
- 3 that that's 5,475 kilowatt-hours?
- 4 A. Yeah, I'll accept that subject to check.
- 5 Sure.
- 6 Q. Okay. Now, assuming that the alley on the
- 7 far left is the alley in the far left here in the
- 8 alley between Hollywood and Ardmore and between
- 9 Rockwell and Maplewood.
- 10 **A.** Okay.
- 11 Q. Assuming that there are 20 residences
- 12 there, what -- do you know what the average
- 13 kilowatt-hour per month usage is for the Chicago
- 14 residents?
- 15 A. I can't tell you for sure what the Chicago
- 16 residence is, but I can tell you just on average
- 17 residential as a whole.
- 18 **Q.** Okay.
- 19 A. It's roughly a little more than 600
- 20 kilowatt-hours.
- 21 Q. Okay. Well, to be fair, I think Chicago
- 22 uses -- Chicago residents use, on average, less

- 1 power. So I can -- I was just going to suggest
- 2 that you assume that the average residence use 500
- 3 kilowatt-hours per month, okay?
- 4 A. You know, I'm looking at what I just gave
- 5 you. That sounds a lot more like the average
- 6 monthly --
- 7 Q. For the system as a whole?
- 8 A. -- residential use, 600 kilowatt-hours in a
- 9 month.
- 10 Q. Right. Right.
- 11 **A.** Okay.
- 12 Q. Yeah. So to get -- to determine the
- 13 kilowatt-hours per year for a household, you would
- 14 take that, let's say, 500, to be conservative,
- 15 times 12, correct?
- 16 A. Okay. Yeah.
- MR. ROONEY: You're asking this in a
- 18 hypothetical form at this point, Mr. Jolly?
- 19 MR. JOLLY: Yes.
- 20 BY MR. JOLLY:
- 21 Q. Okay. So if -- that's 6,000 kilowatt-hours
- 22 for one residence?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. And so if you assume there are 20
- 3 residences that are served from the ComEd secondary
- 4 facilities in that -- in that alley, you would
- 5 multiply that 6,000 times 12; is that correct? I
- 6 mean, times 20, rather?
- 7 6,000 times 20?
- 8 A. Correct.
- 9 **Q.** So that would give you 120,000.
- 10 So assuming that, you know, using these
- 11 assumptions on the alley again bordering between
- 12 Hollywood and Ardmore and between Rockwell and
- 13 Maplewood, the homes use 120,000 kilowatt-hours per
- 14 year, and the wire -- whereas the streetlights --
- 15 or the alley lights, rather, use roughly 4 -- 5500.
- 16 Would you agree that that's greater than
- 17 20 times the amount that the -- the residents use
- 18 more than 20 times the amount of electricity that
- 19 the residents -- the residences use 20 times more
- 20 electricity than the alley lights use?
- 21 A. I agree that the energy used by the
- 22 streetlights is less; but the way we size our wire

- 1 is based upon the demand, not the energy.
- 2 Q. Okay. So what is -- what would be the
- 3 demand for five 250-watt bulbs, alley light bulbs?
- 4 **A.** Five times 250.
- 5 Q. Which is, again, 1.25 --
- 6 **A.** 1.25.
- 7 Q. -- kilowatts.
- 8 What's the average demand for a
- 9 residence?
- 10 A. It's probably in the area of three
- 11 kilowatts.
- 12 Q. Three kilowatts?
- 13 And so would you multiply that three
- 14 kilowatts times 20 in this case?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. So it'd be 60 kilowatts versus 1.25?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. And do you believe then that the 33
- 19 percent allocated to City alley lights is a fair
- 20 allocation, given those numbers?
- 21 A. I guess the first thing I should say is I
- 22 disagree with the use of the Chicago method; but in

- 1 using it, I just accepted his 33 percent
- 2 allocation.
- 3 Q. "His" being Mr. Bodmer's?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 MR. JOLLY: Okay. I have nothing further.
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Who's next?
- 9 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 10 BY
- 11 MR. GOWER:
- 12 Q. Good morning, Mr. Alongi. I'm Ed Gower. I
- 13 represent Metra. It's always a pleasure to see
- 14 you.
- 15 A. Good morning, Mr. Gower.
- 16 Q. You're supposed to reciprocate.
- 17 I'll be mercifully short, one of the
- 18 shortest examinations you've ever had.
- Mr. Alongi, you recall that the embedded
- 20 cost of service for the railroad delivery class
- 21 presented by Commonwealth Edison Company in the
- 22 2005 delivery services rate case, which was

- 1 Docket 05-0597, was \$8,521,989?
- 2 A. I don't recall that number exactly.
- 3 Q. If I showed you your rate design sheet from
- 4 that proceeding, would that refresh your
- 5 recollection?
- A. And that's the allocation from the embedded
- 7 cost of service study?
- 8 Q. Yes, sir.
- 9 A. It -- it is in the right range.
- 10 Q. About 8.5 million sounds right?
- 11 A. Sounds about the right range, yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. And do you also recall that
- 13 Commonwealth Edison's proposed revenue requirement
- 14 in that case was just under 1.9 billion?
- 15 A. That sounds right, yes.
- 16 Q. And you recall that ComEd's proposed
- 17 railroad delivery service rates in that case were
- 18 designed to recover the full cost of service
- 19 calculated in ComEd's embedded cost of service
- 20 study?
- 21 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- 22 Q. And do you recall that the embedded cost of

- 1 service study presented by Commonwealth Edison
- 2 Company in the railroad delivery -- excuse me. Let
- 3 me start again.
- 4 Do you recall that the embedded cost of
- 5 service study presented by the Commonwealth Edison
- 6 Company that calculated the railroad delivery
- 7 service class costs in the 2007 delivery services
- 8 rate case was \$8,586,072?
- 9 A. I'll accept that, subject to check.
- 10 Q. Would you like to check -- I have your
- 11 Exhibit 32.2 here with me, which was submitted in
- 12 your -- an attachment to your rebuttal testimony.
- 13 Is that what you would check?
- 14 A. That would be helpful.
- 15 Q. Okay. Let me show that to you, if I may.
- 16 A. Did you want to give me a copy?
- 17 Q. I did, as a matter of fact.
- 18 A. Thank you.
- 19 Q. And I note, Mr. Alongi, that you have --
- 20 like you, you have forced me to increase the
- 21 magnification on my glasses to read your second
- 22 page of the rate design sheets.

- 1 A. I agree the print is small.
- 2 Q. Let me re- -- having shown you what I
- 3 would -- what was previously marked in the '07 case
- 4 as ComEd Exhibit 30-point -- 32.2 and was attached
- 5 to your rebuttal testimony, I'd ask you if that
- 6 refreshes your recollection that the cost of
- 7 service calculated by Commonwealth Edison in the
- 8 2007 rate case for the railroad delivery service
- 9 class was \$8,586,072?
- 10 A. That is the cost shown for the railroads in
- 11 the total embedded revenue column, yes.
- 12 Q. And do you also recall that ComEd's
- 13 proposed revenue requirement in the 2007 rate case
- 14 was two million -- excuse me -- \$2,042,894,000?
- 15 A. Correct.
- 16 Q. Now, do you recall that ComEd's initial
- 17 proposal in the 2007 rate case, which was
- 18 Docket 07-0566, was to set the railroad delivery
- 19 class rates at a level that would have enabled
- 20 ComEd to recover the full amount of the almost 8.6
- 21 million cost calculated to serve the railroad
- 22 delivery cost?

- 1 A. That's my recollection, yes.
- 2 Q. And then in rebuttal testimony,
- 3 Mr. Crum- -- and in your testimony and
- 4 Mr. Crumrine's testimony, ComEd made a mitigation
- 5 proposal to only increase the railroad class rates
- 6 50 percent toward recovery of costs of the full
- 7 calculated cost of service for the railroad
- 8 delivery class; is that right?
- 9 A. That's right.
- 10 Q. And then using the almost 8.6 million
- 11 number as the cost to serve the railroad class,
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. Now, in this case, I have the exhibits, if
- 15 they would be helpful to you, but do you recall
- 16 that the embedded cost of service calculated by
- 17 ComEd Edison for the railroad delivery class is
- 18 6.35 million in one of ComEd's cost of service
- 19 studies and just under 6 million in the other two
- 20 studies?
- 21 A. I'd accept that, subject to check. Sure.
- 22 Q. Well, let me -- do you have your testimony

- 1 in front of you? I have --
- 2 A. I have -- I have a lot of testimony in
- 3 front of me.
- 4 Q. I can show you exhibits. It probably would
- 5 be easier for me just to show you
- 6 Commonwealth Edison Exhibits --
- 7 **A.** I have it.
- 8 Q. -- 73.1 and 73.2 and 73.3.
- 9 A. Yes, I have it.
- 10 Q. Okay. Having looked -- first, let's look
- 11 at Commonwealth Edison Exhibit 73.1 in this case.
- 12 And can you tell us what the calculated cost of
- 13 service for the railroad class is in that document?
- 14 **A.** \$6,351,783.
- 15 Q. Okay. And that's the cost of service study
- 16 prepared using Commonwealth Edison's traditional
- 17 embedded cost of service method as modified in the
- 18 special rate design investigation; is that correct?
- 19 A. Right. The significant changes from the
- 20 embedded cost of service study in the last rate
- 21 case was to allocate the cost of primary
- 22 distribution to substations based upon coincident

- 1 peak rather than noncoincident peak, which is how
- 2 we had previously allocated those costs, and to
- 3 include the differentiation between primary and
- 4 secondary distribution system costs.
- 5 Q. Right. And then in addition to that,
- 6 Commonwealth Edison prepared two exemplar cost of
- 7 service studies based, among others, on a primary
- 8 voltage class; is that correct?
- 9 A. The 73-point -- ComEd Exhibit 73.2 is an
- 10 exemplar rate design which includes a primary
- 11 voltage delivery class. 73.3 is an exemplar --
- 12 alternative exemplar rate design which includes
- 13 primary voltage, distribution facility charges and
- 14 primary voltage transformer charges in each of the
- 15 five existing demand-based classes.
- 16 Q. And as between the two exemplar rates,
- 17 Commonwealth Edison's referred cost of service
- 18 study is that reflected -- whose results are
- 19 reflected in Commonwealth Edison Exhibit 73.2; is
- 20 that correct?
- 21 A. Right. In my testimony, I refer to it as
- 22 the preferred exemplar.

- 1 Q. And what's the cost of service study --
- 2 excuse me. What is the cost of service calculated
- 3 in that preferred exemplar for the railroad
- 4 delivery class?
- 5 **A.** \$5,999,968.
- 6 Q. And in 73.3, which is not the preferred, it
- 7 also is 5.9 million-something, is that correct?
- 8 Just under 6 million for the cost to serve the
- 9 railroad delivery class?
- 10 **A.** \$5,999,805.
- 11 MR. GOWER: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Alongi.
- 12 Those are all the questions I have.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Gower, before you move, we
- 14 were just thinking that you weren't here to enter
- 15 your appearance this morning. So we probably
- 16 should make sure that you enter it in the record
- 17 today.
- 18 MR. GOWER: Thank you for looking out for my
- 19 interest, Judge.
- 20 My name is Ed Gower. I represent Metra.
- 21 My address is Hinshaw and Culbertson, LLP,
- 22 400 South 9th, Suite 200, Springfield, Illinois

- 1 62701.
- 2 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Is there anybody else
- 4 that needs to enter an appearance while we're
- 5 breaking?
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Balough?
- 7 MS. LUSSON: I'm not sure if Mr. Borovik
- 8 mentioned my name.
- 9 MR. ROONEY: He did.
- 10 MS. LUSSON: Okay.
- 11 MR. BALOUGH: Richard C. Balough, Balough Law
- 12 Office, LLC, One North LaSalle, Suite 1910,
- 13 Chicago, Illinois 60602, representing the Chicago
- 14 Transit Authority.
- 15 MR. BOEHM: Good morning.
- 16 Kirk Boehm, representing The Kroger
- 17 Company, 36 East 7th Street, Suite 1510,
- 18 Cincinnati, Ohio 45202.
- 19 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay.
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- 1 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MS. LUSSON:
- 4 Q. Good morning, Mr. Alongi. My name's Karen
- 5 Lusson and I'm from the Attorney General's Office.
- 6 A. Good morning.
- 7 Q. And I just have some questions regarding
- 8 the Company's proposed residential rate design.
- 9 If you could turn to your Exhibit 49.1,
- 10 Page 1 of 4.
- Now -- I'm sorry.
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And it's correct, isn't it, that the
- 14 Company is proposing in this docket to change the
- 15 existing customer charge for single-family
- 16 customers from \$7.64 to \$18.95?
- 17 A. This particular exhibit has been superseded
- 18 by 73.1, which would be the current Company
- 19 proposal. If you'd rather refer to that.
- 20 Q. And that customer charge, that proposed
- 21 customer charge is \$18 and how many cents?
- 22 **A.** In 49- -- in Exhibit 49.1, the customer

- 1 charge is \$18.95. And I need to check on my
- 2 Exhibit 73.1 to see what the current proposal is.
- 3 Q. Okay. Please do so.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 A. Under the current proposal, the customer
- 6 charge for single family would be \$18.73.
- 7 Q. Okay. So the latest version is that the
- 8 customer charge for single family -- single-family
- 9 customers would go from \$7.64 under existing rates
- 10 to \$18.73 under the Company's proposed revenue
- 11 requirement; is that right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And for multifamily customers, the customer
- 14 charge would change from the existing \$6.65 to
- 15 \$9.29; is that correct?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. Would you agree, generally speaking, that
- 18 the residential class is highly diverse in terms of
- 19 the dwellings that people live in, including
- 20 smaller single-family homes, larger estates, for
- 21 lack of a better term; apartments in large
- 22 multifamily buildings and small studio apartments,

- 1 to name just a few?
- 2 A. Well, there is diversity within each of the
- 3 two residential classes that ComEd has proposed.
- 4 Multifamily that you can have small studio
- 5 apartments and -- as well as large apartments and,
- 6 likewise, single family, you can have large
- 7 single-family homes and smaller ones.
- 8 Q. And would it be fair to say that ComEd's
- 9 residential class includes customers who use as
- 10 little as a hundred kilowatt-hours per month and
- 11 those who use thousands of kilowatt-hours per month
- 12 in the residential class?
- 13 A. I agree -- those are extremes, but I agree
- 14 there are customers in the class that have those
- 15 type of usages.
- 16 Q. And that would be, in fact, within the
- 17 two -- within the inter-classes, too?
- 18 Would you agree that, that is, that
- 19 there may be customers in single-family dwellings
- 20 that have very low usage and customers that have
- 21 thousands of kilowatt-hours per month?
- 22 A. Within single family, that's true, and it's

- 1 also true --
- 2 Q. In the multi- --
- 3 A. -- in the multifamily, yes.
- 4 Q. Now, ComEd is proposing to collapse the
- 5 residential class into two rate schedules, which
- 6 eliminates the heating and non-heating distinctions
- 7 for both the single family and the multifamily
- 8 classes; is that right?
- 9 A. I don't use the term "rate schedules," but
- 10 we're consolidating four delivery classes into two
- 11 delivery classes for residential, yes.
- 12 Q. But, essentially, it's eliminating the
- 13 heating and non-heating distinctions within those
- 14 two rate schedules?
- 15 A. That's correct. It's been a common
- 16 practice to eliminate end-use rates.
- 17 Q. Would you agree that ComEd includes a
- 18 distribution facilities charge, which is the
- 19 per-kilowatt-hour charge for distribution service,
- 20 for each residential rate schedule on its bills?
- 21 A. Could you repeat that?
- 22 Q. Sure. Let me rephrase that.

- 1 Would you agree that ComEd includes
- 2 distribution facility charges for each of its
- 3 residential rate schedules today?
- 4 A. Again, we have four existing residential
- 5 delivery classes, and within each of those four
- 6 delivery classes, we have distribution facilities
- 7 charges.
- 8 Q. And just to make sure the record is clear,
- 9 by distribution facilities charges, we're talking
- 10 about the variable kilowatt-hour charge for each of
- 11 the classes, is that right, when we say the
- 12 distribution facilities charge?
- 13 A. For residential customers, the distribution
- 14 facilities charge is a variable charge that varies
- 15 by kilowatt-hour.
- 16 Q. Would you agree at the present time,
- 17 ComEd's tariff for residential service contains a
- 18 separately stated distribution facilities charge or
- 19 kilowatt-hour charge for each of the four
- 20 residential rate schedules?
- 21 And that -- when I say there is a
- 22 separate distribution facilities charge, I'm

- 1 talking about a line item.
- 2 MR. ROONEY: I guess just by way -- to make
- 3 sure -- Mr. Alongi didn't define his rate
- 4 schedules. I want to make sure we're talking about
- 5 the same thing. The question's been asked twice
- 6 and he's corrected it twice.
- 7 For the sake of the record, could we
- 8 maybe ask a question related to the way ComEd
- 9 refers to the four customer classes?
- 10 MS. LUSSON: I'm not sure what -- perhaps you
- 11 could tell me what was wrong with my question.
- 12 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 13 Q. I -- my question was, would you agree, at
- 14 the present time, ComEd's residential tariff
- 15 already contains a separately -- a separate
- 16 distribution facilities charge line item for each
- 17 of its four rate classes?
- 18 A. No, a customer in each of the four
- 19 residential delivery service rate classes or
- 20 delivery classes receive bills with a line item
- 21 that has a distribution facilities charge. For two
- 22 of those classes, the charge is identical.

- 1 So for the space heating customers, the
- 2 charge that they see, whether they're in
- 3 multifamily or single family, is identical to the
- 4 distribution facilities charge of the single-family
- 5 space heaters.
- 6 And, likewise, the charge that
- 7 nonspace-heating customers see on their bill is the
- 8 same whether they're multifamily or single family.
- 9 **Q.** Okay. So -- and I understand that the
- 10 values are the same for both heating customers,
- 11 multifamily and single family, on the distribution
- 12 facilities charge.
- But, in fact, on the bills for each of
- 14 those classes, whether the value is the same or not
- 15 for heating customers or non-heating customers,
- 16 there is a line item for distribution facilities
- 17 charge for each of those classes?
- 18 A. On the bill, yes. Hm-hmm.
- 19 Q. Would you agree that Mr. Rubin's rate
- 20 design proposal adds no additional line item to the
- 21 bill itself, the existing tariff?
- 22 A. I don't recall exactly if Mr. Rubin

- 1 included the Illinois Electricity Distribution Tax
- 2 line item that ComEd is proposing to add to the
- 3 bill. So I guess I don't know.
- 4 Q. Well, if he's not including it, then,
- 5 certainly, the answer would be yes, wouldn't it?
- 7 he doesn't add an additional line item to the bill
- 8 with his rate design proposal, does he, in terms of
- 9 kWh charges or distribution facilities charges?
- 10 MR. ROONEY: I'd object. Asked and answered.
- 11 Mr. Alongi's indicated he doesn't know
- 12 what Mr. Rubin did with regard to the distribution
- 13 tax.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sustained. If he doesn't know,
- 15 he doesn't know.
- 16 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 17 Q. Mr. Alongi, I'm going to show you -- I
- 18 won't mark the exhibit. It's already attached to
- 19 Mr. Rubin's testimony. This is AG/CUB
- 20 Exhibit 6.17, which presents the AG/CUB proposed
- 21 rate design.
- I'm sorry. If you would, do you recall

- 1 my last question?
- 2 Looking at that document, would you
- 3 agree that Mr. Rubin's rate design proposal adds no
- 4 additional line item to the existing ComEd bills
- 5 for the residential classes?
- 6 A. I agree there's no additional base rate
- 7 line items.
- 8 Q. Would you agree generally that heating
- 9 customers, both in the single family and
- 10 multifamily residential classes, use substantially
- 11 more electricity each year on average than
- 12 non-heating customers?
- 13 MR. ROONEY: Just for clarification, are we
- 14 referring to space-heating customers?
- MS. LUSSON: Yes.
- 16 THE WITNESS: I agree on average. Although, I
- 17 would also say that there are nonspace-heating
- 18 customers that use as much, if not more, in some
- 19 cases than space-heating customers. Kind of going
- 20 to the extremes that you started with, yes.
- 21 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 22 Q. Hm-hmm. But, generally speaking, in terms

- 1 of comparing nonspace-heating residential customers
- 2 in both single and multifamily and heat --
- 3 space-heating single family and multifamily
- 4 customers, you'd agree that, generally, that they
- 5 use substantially more electricity each year on
- 6 average?
- 7 A. Nonspace-heating customers, yes, I could
- 8 agree with that on average.
- 9 Q. Mr. Alongi, were you here during the
- 10 cross-examination of Mr. Heintz?
- 11 **A.** No.
- 12 Q. I want to show you an attachment. Again, I
- 13 won't mark it as an exhibit because this is
- 14 attached to Mr. Rubin's testimony. And this was
- 15 just presented to Mr. Alongi during his
- 16 cross-examination.
- 17 And this is AG/CUB Exhibit 6.01, and it
- 18 is the Company's -- was asked to provide their cost
- 19 of service study using four customer classes as
- 20 opposed -- residential classes as opposed to two
- 21 customer classes.
- 22 And during the cross-examination, would

- 1 you accept, subject to check, that Mr. Heintz did
- 2 confirm that, in fact, this is a ComEd-presented
- 3 document? This was provided by ComEd. This was
- 4 not prepared by Mr. Rubin. Would you accept that,
- 5 subject to check?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. And if you -- again, this is a copy of a
- 8 portion of the cost of service study that shows the
- 9 existing four residential classes using the
- 10 existing cost of service numbers that are in the
- 11 present -- the study presented in this docket.
- 12 If you turn to Page 11 of this document,
- 13 on Line 249, it shows the total cost of service for
- 14 each customer class under ComEd's proposed rates;
- 15 is that correct?
- 16 A. Before -- yes, it's marked total cost of
- 17 service, revenue-related distributed.
- 18 Q. And is it correct that it shows that the
- 19 total cost of service for the single-family heating
- 20 class to be \$20,400,489?
- 21 A. Yes.
- MR. ROONEY: I just object at this point. I'm

- 1 not sure there's been a foundation laid that
- 2 Mr. Alongi is aware of this document.
- I mean, I know it's presented by ComEd,
- 4 but it was also asked of Mr. Heintz. And I wasn't
- 5 here for Mr. Heintz's cross-examination. I don't
- 6 recall. So I don't know if the witness is familiar
- 7 with this document or not. While it's been
- 8 submitted by ComEd, I don't know if Mr. Alongi was
- 9 the one who prepared it.
- 10 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 11 Q. Mr. Alongi, are you familiar with this
- 12 document and the data that was provided to
- 13 Mr. Rubin?
- 14 A. No. The embedded cost of service study was
- 15 sponsored by Mr. Heintz.
- 16 Q. Okay. Mr. Alongi, is it true that ComEd's
- 17 cost of service includes all aspects of the
- 18 Company's proposed revenue requirement, including
- 19 ComEd's proposed rate of return on investment?
- 20 A. That's my general understanding, yes.
- 21 Q. Mr. Alongi, are you familiar with the
- 22 Company's E-schedules which provide jurisdictional

- 1 operating revenue under current rates?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 MS. LUSSON: I'll show you what I'm marking as
- 4 AG Cross Exhibit 22, I believe.
- 5 (Whereupon, AG Cross
- 6 Exhibit No. 22 was
- 7 marked for identification
- 8 as of this date.)
- 9 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 10 Q. And AG Cross Exhibit 22 is a copy of part
- 11 of the Company's Part 285 filing. Schedule E-5-A
- 12 reflects the jurisdictional operating revenue under
- 13 current rates; is that correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And is it correct that under -- looking at
- 16 Page 1, that single family with electric space heat
- 17 indicates that the total revenues collected from
- 18 that class are \$20,420,616?
- 19 A. Under current rates, yes.
- 20 Q. And for multifamily with electric space
- 21 heat under current rates, the amount collected is
- 22 49,453,284?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. We're through with that exhibit.
- Would you agree, Mr. Alongi, that an
- 4 important method in evaluating the fairness of a
- 5 proposed rate design within a rate class is to
- 6 conduct a customer impact analysis?
- 7 A. Yes. We've provided some bill impact
- 8 analyses in my testimony.
- 9 Q. And in developing your proposed rate design
- 10 prior to filing the case, did you analyze the
- 11 effect of the proposed residential rate design on
- 12 customers' actual annual bills?
- 13 A. We have a Schedule E-9 that determines the
- 14 bill impact by delivery class. And for purposes of
- 15 reflecting the impacts to the customer classes that
- 16 were being consolidated, the E-9 schedule includes
- 17 the impact for those classes as well.
- 18 Q. And when you were looking at the impact on
- 19 classes, did you look at a comparison of the rate
- 20 impact on a typical or average customer or did you
- 21 examine the effect of the proposed ComEd rate
- 22 design over a wide range of usage characteristics

- 1 such as evaluating customers with extremes on
- 2 either end, high or low, as well as customers with
- 3 average usage patterns?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. You did both extremes?
- 6 A. We did analyses of customers at the -- what
- 7 we call the 80 percentile level where you can
- 8 characterize those as high-use customers, and we
- 9 also calculated impacts for customers at the 20
- 10 percentile level, which we characterize as low-use
- 11 customers.
- 12 Q. Okay. And did you do that for each of the
- 13 four subclasses?
- 14 MR. ROONEY: I just --
- 15 MS. LUSSON: Again --
- 16 MR. ROONEY: -- for correction, four classes.
- 17 MS. LUSSON: -- yes, I understand that there's a
- 18 disagreement about the reference point.
- 19 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 20 Q. And when you mean -- when I state
- 21 subclasses, I'm referring to single-family
- 22 space-heating customers, single-family

- 1 nonspace-heating, multifamily space-heating,
- 2 multifamily nonspace-heating.
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. And, finally, looking at Page 12 of
- 5 your rebuttal testimony.
- 6 JUDGE SAINSOT: You better state for the record
- 7 which --
- 8 MS. LUSSON: Oh, rate design.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: He's got a lot of testimony.
- 10 MS. LUSSON: Oh, yes. That's true. That would
- 11 be, I believe, Exhibit 49.
- 12 THE WITNESS: What page?
- 13 BY MS. LUSSON:
- 14 **Q.** Page 12.
- 15 **A.** Okay.
- 16 Q. At Lines 267 through 271, you reference
- 17 Rider PE, purchased electricity.
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. You see that there?
- 20 **A.** Hm-hmm.
- 21 Q. Now, would you agree that that rider
- 22 affects supply charges, not distribution charges?

- 1 A. That is correct.
- 2 MS. LUSSON: Thank you, Mr. Alongi.
- 3 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Boehm?
- 5 MS. LUSSON: Oh, I would also move for the
- 6 admission of AG Cross Exhibit 22, which is the
- 7 E-schedules.
- 8 JUDGE SAINSOT: Any objection?
- 9 MR. ROONEY: None.
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Hearing none, your motion
- 11 is granted, and AG Cross Exhibit 22 is -- on my
- 12 desk somewhere.
- 13 (Whereupon, AG/CUB Cross
- 14 Exhibit No. 22 was
- 15 admitted into evidence as
- of this date.)
- 17 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Robertson, are you looking to
- 18 go?
- 19 MR. ROBERTSON: That'd be fine.
- 20 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay.
- 21 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Alongi, you doing okay? You
- 22 want a quick break or...

- 1 THE WITNESS: I'm fine.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Okay.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Am I speaking loud enough for you?
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, nobody in Springfield has
- 5 complained. That's a good sign.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 7 CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 8 BY
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON:
- 10 Q. Good morning, Mr. Alongi. My name is Eric
- 11 Robertson. I represent the Illinois Industrial
- 12 Energy Consumers.
- 13 A. Good morning, Mr. Robertson. How are you?
- 14 **Q.** I'm fine.
- Now, it is my understanding that ComEd's
- 16 proposed rate design is now presented in ComEd's
- 17 Surrebuttal Exhibit 73.1; is that correct?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. And the rate design presented in ComEd
- 20 Exhibit 73.1 is now based on the ECOS study
- 21 presented by Mr. Heintz in ComEd Surrebuttal
- 22 Exhibit 75.1; is that correct?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. Now, would you agree that in its final
- 3 order in Docket 08-0532, the rate design
- 4 investigation order, the Commission directed ComEd
- 5 to allocate the cost of transformers where the
- 6 voltage exiting the transformer is secondary
- 7 voltage as a secondary system cost?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, can you refer to your surrebuttal
- 10 testimony, ComEd Exhibit 73.1, Page 3, Lines 54 to
- 11 56. There, you state, ComEd's proposed rate design
- 12 in ComEd Exhibit 73.1 appropriately incorporates
- 13 the results of ComEd's analysis of primary and
- 14 secondary costs and should be approved; is that
- 15 correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Is it correct that you performed ComEd's
- 18 primary and secondary analysis directly or that it
- 19 was performed under your supervision?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. You agree that within ComEd's
- 22 primary/secondary analysis, distribution costs are

- 1 recorded in the following accounts -- strike that.
- 2 Do you agree that within ComEd's
- 3 primary/secondary analysis, distribution costs
- 4 recorded in FERC Accounts 364, poles and towers;
- 5 365, overhead conductors and devices; 366,
- 6 underground conduit; 367, underground conduit and
- 7 devices; and 368, distribution line transformers,
- 8 are, in fact, separated into three categories?
- 9 A. In ComEd's --
- 10 Q. In the context of your primary/secondary
- 11 analysis.
- 12 A. I guess I'm trying to remember if, in the
- 13 proposed, we separated by primary and secondary,
- 14 and then the exemplars, we separated by primary --
- 15 or secondary, primary and shared.
- 16 Q. Maybe I can help you out.
- 17 A. Yeah, please do.
- 18 Q. You want to take a look at your
- 19 supplemental testimony in Exhibit 21.5 attached
- 20 thereto. Take a look at Page 9 in the table that's
- 21 shown there.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: 21.5 at Page 9?

- 1 MR. ROBERTSON: That's correct.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Thank you.
- 3 THE WITNESS: Okay. Yeah, that refreshes my
- 4 memory.
- 5 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 6 **Q.** Okay.
- 7 A. Thank you.
- 8 Q. And those categories generally are cost
- 9 related to the provisions of service to primary
- 10 customers. That's one. Two, costs relating to the
- 11 provision of service to secondary customers; and
- 12 three, costs associated with shared facilities?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Do you agree with those descriptions?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Now, does your rate design presented in
- 17 ComEd Exhibit 73.1 determine separate primary and
- 18 secondary charges?
- 19 A. No, the primary/secondary analysis was
- 20 incorporated into the ECOS and reflected in the
- 21 charges to the delivery classes.
- 22 **Q.** And --

- 1 A. If I might state, not unlike the other
- 2 tariffs.
- 3 Q. The results of your primary/secondary
- 4 analysis as illustrated on 21.5 were incorporated
- 5 into the ECOS study presented in 75.1?
- 6 Mr. Heintz's surrebuttal ECOS study?
- 7 A. I think it was 75.2 for the exemplar.
- 8 Q. Okay. So they were not incorporated into
- 9 the cost study presented in 75.1?
- 10 A. Let me just take a look at another exhibit.
- In 75.1, the results of ComEd's
- 12 primary/secondary analysis from ComEd Exhibit 16.5,
- 13 I believe, were used --
- 14 **Q.** Okay.
- 15 A. -- which separates costs into primary and
- 16 secondary.
- 17 Q. So the results of the primary/secondary
- 18 analysis that you performed in Exhibit 21.5 are not
- 19 reflected in Mr. Heintz's cost of service study
- 20 presented in Exhibit 75.1?
- 21 A. I believe that is correct.
- 22 Q. And that would mean the rate design that is

- 1 set forth in Exhibit 73.1 would not reflect the
- 2 primary/secondary analysis that you conducted in
- 3 your supplemental testimony in ComEd Exhibit 21.5;
- 4 is that correct?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. So that would mean that ComEd Exhibit 75.1
- 7 does not functionally separate primary and
- 8 secondary line transformer costs; is that correct?
- 9 A. I'd have to remember, but I thought we
- 10 allocated the secondary line transformers in our
- 11 initial study to secondary.
- 12 Q. Do you have a copy of Mr. Heintz's cost of
- 13 service study handy?
- 14 A. No.
- MR. GOWER: Which cost of service are you
- 16 referencing? 75.1?
- 17 MR. ROBERTSON: 75.1.
- 18 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 19 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 20 Q. Thank you.
- 21 I've shown you to help you refresh your
- 22 recollection Schedule 1-A from Mr. Heintz's cost of

- 1 service study, ComEd Exhibit 75.1.
- Do you recognize that schedule?
- 3 A. I have to be quite frank. I didn't review
- 4 Mr. Heintz's schedules. But what I --
- 5 MR. ROONEY: Mr. Robertson?
- 6 MR. ROBERTSON: Yes.
- 7 MR. ROONEY: I don't know if you gave me this on
- 8 accident. There was a lot of highlighted --
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON: It'll help you find the numbers.
- 10 MR. ROONEY: Thank you.
- 11 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 12 Q. Would you be willing to accept, subject to
- 13 check, that -- looking at Page 2 of 21 of
- 14 Schedule 1-A of ComEd Exhibit 75.1, the column
- 15 entitled Line Transformers, and Line 27 -- Lines 21
- 16 and 27, that Mr. Heintz used as his number for line
- 17 transformers the same dollar value -- I think it's
- 18 within \$2 -- that you used in your
- 19 primary/secondary analysis in Exhibit 22.5?
- 20 **A.** 21.5?
- 21 Q. 21.5. Thank you.
- 22 A. There's a difference of \$2, but yes.

- 1 Q. Okay. And does it appear that this study
- 2 functionally separates primary and secondary
- 3 transformer costs?
- 4 A. Mr. Heintz's study?
- 5 **Q.** Yes.
- 6 A. I'm not familiar enough with the workings
- 7 of the ECOS to comment.
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Judge, can we go off the record for
- 9 a moment?
- 10 JUDGE DOLAN: Sure.
- 11 (Discussion off the record.)
- 12 MR. ROBERTSON: I think what I'd like to do,
- 13 based on Mr. Rooney's invitation, is to come back
- 14 to this point and go ahead and go through the rest
- 15 of my cross, so I can find what I'm looking for;
- 16 and then if you'll indulge me, if we could take a
- 17 break maybe for lunch, I can find what I was
- 18 looking for in regards to this particular issue.
- 19 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 20 Q. Mr. Alongi, does ComEd serve secondary
- 21 customers with three-phase service?
- 22 A. Some.

- 1 Q. Now, in ComEd Cross Exhibit 11, the Company
- 2 put into evidence an IIEC response to ComEd
- 3 Exhibit -- or ComEd Data Request 3.01.
- 4 Are you familiar that exhibit or that
- 5 data response?
- 6 A. It's a relatively recent one, I believe. I
- 7 am familiar with it. I don't have it in front of
- 8 me, but I think I know what you're talking about.
- 9 Q. I'll give you a copy.
- 10 Now, in that data request, ComEd
- 11 presented a diagram of a representative
- 12 distribution system consisting of three-phase
- 13 mainstem -- on a three-phase mainstem circuit, a
- 14 three-phase feeder circuit and a single-phase
- 15 feeder circuit; is that correct?
- 16 A. I would describe the -- what you described
- 17 as feeder circuits as taps.
- 18 Q. All right.
- 19 A. Or I think Mr. Stowe describes them as
- 20 laterals.
- 21 Q. All right. Referring to this diagram, do
- 22 you agree that Customer B is the only primary

- 1 voltage customer shown?
- 2 A. In this diagram, that's correct.
- 3 Q. If Customer B was removed from the
- 4 distribution system illustrated in the diagram,
- 5 would the three-phase circuits shown on the diagram
- 6 still be required to serve the remaining secondary
- 7 voltage customers?
- 8 I'm specifically referring to the black
- 9 mainstem and red feeder circuits.
- 10 A. As illustrated in this diagram, that would
- 11 be correct.
- 12 Q. Is this because some of the secondary
- 13 customers require three-phase service?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. You agree that the three-phase service is
- 16 an end-use requirement of both primary and
- 17 secondary customers?
- 18 A. As is single phase, yes.
- 19 Q. If ComEd had a system that consisted of
- 20 only single-phase customers served at secondary
- 21 voltage, would it be likely to serve all of its
- 22 customers via a network consisting exclusively of

- 1 single-phase circuits?
- 2 A. It's likely that we would use three-phase
- 3 circuits and balance the load on the three single
- 4 phases.
- 5 Q. Now, has ComEd presented any study or
- 6 analysis in this case to determine the additional
- 7 expense, if any, it incurs to build and maintain
- 8 its three-phase system to serve three-phase
- 9 customers versus a system based on single-phase
- 10 circuits only?
- 11 A. You'll have to repeat that, if you would.
- 12 MR. ROBERTSON: Would you read it back for him,
- 13 please.
- 14 (Record read as requested.)
- 15 THE WITNESS: No.
- 16 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 17 Q. Do you -- do you agree that there are 936
- 18 primary voltage customers in the new or proposed
- 19 primary voltage delivery class?
- 20 A. Yes. That's the results of our efforts to
- 21 produce the supplemental direct testimony.
- 22 Q. Do you agree that only eight of these

- 1 customers are served by a single-phase primary
- 2 distribution facility circuit -- feeder circuits?
- 3 A. I agree that eight of those customers
- 4 receive single-phase primary service at a primary
- 5 voltage, but other primary voltage customers
- 6 receive single-phase service at other points of
- 7 service, too.
- 8 Q. Is it correct that of the 936 customers,
- 9 ComEd has identified 26 that have single-phase
- 10 primary voltage meters?
- 11 A. All 936 have primary voltage meters.
- 12 Q. Single-phase primary voltage meters?
- 13 A. Oh, single phase? I think the number was
- 14 around 26, yes.
- 15 Q. Do you agree with the statement that ComEd
- 16 performed a review of meters serving the 936
- 17 accounts eligible for exemplar primary voltage
- 18 delivery class?
- 19 A. Yes, we had to.
- 20 Q. And do you agree that ComEd identified 26
- 21 accounts with 28 meters that are single-phase
- 22 meters with potential transformers used to measure

- 1 the usage at primary voltage?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. Do you agree that for 21 of those 26
- 4 accounts, the single-phase voltage meter is the
- 5 only meter on the account?
- 6 A. What was the number?
- 7 Q. 21 of those 26.
- 8 A. I believe that's what we provided in
- 9 response to data requests, yes.
- 10 Q. Would you agree that eight of those 21
- 11 received service from a circuit in a single-phase
- 12 configuration adjacent to the customer's property?
- 13 A. Yes. That would be like the blue circuit
- 14 in the diagram that you handed me in our response
- 15 to Data Request No. 3.01.
- 16 And, in fact, I know one of them, the
- 17 first one that we identified, was at the very end
- 18 of that blue single-phase tap illustrated in the
- 19 diagram.
- 20 Q. Now, looking at your surrebuttal testimony,
- 21 Page 21, Lines 462 to 468.
- 22 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Robertson, it might be

- 1 helpful if you identified which surrebuttal.
- 2 MR. ROBERTSON: ComEd Exhibit 73.0.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: Thank you.
- 4 MR. ROBERTSON: His rate design surrebuttal.
- THE WITNESS: What page?
- 6 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 7 0. 21.
- Now, has ComEd's service territory ever
- 9 experienced such weather conditions that tens of
- 10 thousands or even hundreds of thousands of its
- 11 customers were without electricity for some period
- 12 of time?
- 13 A. I believe that's true.
- 14 Q. You agree that even during these times,
- 15 many hundreds of thousands of ComEd's customers
- 16 continue to receive electric service?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Would you agree then that while ComEd's
- 19 distribution system may be highly integrated, that
- 20 integration still allows portions of the
- 21 distribution system to operate independently of
- 22 each other?

- 1 A. With switching, that's correct. True.
- 2 Q. Now, at this location in your testimony,
- 3 you claim that the system is continuously being
- 4 reconfigured and upgraded.
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. Does ComEd ever reconfigure its
- 7 single-phase primary circuits to three-phase
- 8 circuits?
- 9 A. I think there are circumstances in which
- 10 that may occur.
- 11 Q. Does ComEd ever reconfigure its 12K primary
- 12 circuits to a higher primary voltage such as 34 kV?
- 13 Let me repeat the question because I
- 14 think I was thinking of K-Mart instead of
- 15 kilovolts.
- 16 Does ComEd ever reconsider its --
- 17 reconfigure its 12 kV primary circuit to a higher
- 18 primary voltage such as 34 kV?
- 19 A. Generally speaking, I think the Company
- 20 overbuilds 34 over 12, but there may be
- 21 circumstances where we had an existing 12 kV
- 22 circuit that was converted for whatever reason to

- 1 34.
- 2 Q. Does ComEd need to know which circuits are
- 3 going to be reconfigured well in advance of the
- 4 actual reconfiguration?
- 5 A. Under the emergency conditions that you
- 6 described earlier where there's bad weather, there
- 7 is -- there's no realistic forewarning other than
- 8 what the weathermen say.
- 9 Q. For those reconfigurations that are not
- 10 associated with emergency service, does ComEd
- 11 ordinarily need to know which circuits are to be
- 12 reconfigured in advance of the reconfiguration?
- 13 A. Reconfigurations are performed for a number
- 14 of purposes, including maintenance on the circuits
- 15 as well as load relief, and they're scheduled in
- 16 advance.
- 17 Q. The answer is "yes"?
- 18 A. Yes, but I don't know how far --
- 19 **Q.** I'm sorry.
- 20 A. I said yes, but I don't know how far in
- 21 advance they do it for relief of -- or I should say
- 22 maintenance on the circuits, length of days.

- 1 Q. And will ComEd need to know the voltage of
- 2 the existing circuit or circuits as well as the
- 3 voltage of the reconfigured circuits?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And will ComEd need to know this
- 6 information -- well, strike that.
- 7 And will ComEd need to know this
- 8 information in advance of the reconfiguration?
- 9 A. The voltage, is that the pending question,
- 10 the information that they need to know?
- 11 **Q.** Yes.
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Now, would you also agree that ComEd will
- 14 need to know the number of phases of each circuit,
- 15 the circuit voltages, locations of disconnects,
- 16 which mainstem circuits supply which single-phase
- 17 and three-phase taps whenever it upgrades its
- 18 system or repairs the system for storm damage?
- 19 A. Yes, I think that's a fair consideration.
- 20 Sure.
- 21 Q. Now, do you agree that as a matter of
- 22 public safety, ComEd carefully and continuously

- 1 monitors the operating voltage of its distribution
- 2 system components?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. Would you agree that ComEd also carefully
- 5 monitors its mainstem primary circuits, its bulk
- 6 distribution substations and even its lesser
- 7 capacity circuits in substations on a regular, if
- 8 not constant basis?
- 9 A. I guess I'm not sure what you mean by
- 10 "monitor."
- I mean, we have meters that register the
- 12 load on the feeders, the load on the transformers.
- 13 If that's what you mean by monitor, I would agree.
- 14 Q. Would you agree that ComEd has information
- 15 about the operating voltage -- strike that.
- 16 Would you agree that ComEd has
- 17 information about operating voltage, number of
- 18 phases, circuit capability, circuit connectivity
- 19 and load flow on its system?
- 20 A. I agree we have a system of maps and a --
- 21 again, measurement at the substations on the
- 22 loading of feeders and transformers in those

- 1 substations, if that's, again, what you mean.
- 2 Q. And those things are being monitored and
- 3 verified and updated on a continuing basis?
- 4 MR. ROONEY: Objection at this point.
- 5 Mr. Alongi's testimony doesn't -- he
- 6 isn't here presenting testimony on system
- 7 operations. He's here presenting testimony on rate
- 8 design. And to the extent this is asking --
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON: Well --
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sustained, unless you can tie
- 11 that up somehow.
- 12 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 13 Q. Mr. Alongi, would you look at Exhibit 73.0,
- 14 your surrebuttal rate design testimony, Page 21 and
- 15 22?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And at Line 472 to 487, if I'm reading your
- 18 testimony correctly, you are describing the -- a
- 19 complex and controversial and multidimensional
- 20 analysis that would be necessitated by some of the
- 21 proposals made in this case; is that correct?
- 22 A. Yes. Yes.

- 1 Q. And that's an analysis of the Company's
- 2 distribution system?
- 3 A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. Can you repeat my -- let me go back. I
- 5 don't think he ever answered the question because
- 6 there was an objection. And if I repeat myself, I
- 7 apologize, Mr. Alongi.
- 8 Do you agree that ComEd has information
- 9 about operating voltage, number of phases, circuit
- 10 capability and circuit connectivity, load flow and
- 11 other information regarding its distribution system
- 12 and that that information exists and is
- 13 continuously being monitored, verified and updated?
- 14 A. To the extent that you're describing,
- 15 again, monitoring at the substations on feeder
- 16 loads and voltages and, to the extent that you're
- 17 describing how we update our maps of feeders, I
- 18 would agree.
- 19 If you're speaking of anything else, I'm
- 20 not sure what you mean.
- 21 Q. Well, don't you need to have this
- 22 information available to you in order to operate

- 1 and maintain your distribution system in a safe and
- 2 reliable manner?
- 3 MR. ROONEY: Objection. This goes beyond his
- 4 testimony.
- 5 MR. ROBERTSON: Wait.
- 6 MR. ROONEY: To the extent we're talking about
- 7 what information's necessary to operate the system,
- 8 his testimony here on those lines that were
- 9 identified is speaking of an analysis from a cost
- 10 allocation standpoint, and I think he was
- 11 identifying, in response to Mr. Stowe's testimony,
- 12 in part, a comparison of analyses.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: So what does that mean,
- 14 Mr. Rooney? I'm kind of unclear.
- MR. ROONEY: I guess the question is going to
- 16 the -- as I understood the question, it's going to
- 17 what information the Company needs to operate its
- 18 system as opposed to what information Mr. Alongi's
- 19 speaking to with regards to conducting an analysis
- 20 of the different systems from a cost allocation
- 21 perspective.
- 22 MR. ROBERTSON: My turn?

- 1 JUDGE DOLAN: Yeah.
- 2 MR. ROBERTSON: Yeah. The witness has talked
- 3 about the difficulty in determining through a
- 4 complex analysis whether or not certain proposals
- 5 made by parties in this case can be implemented.
- I believe some of the same information
- 7 that we've talked about would be used in that
- 8 process, and the purpose of the cross is to
- 9 demonstrate that the Company has much of the
- 10 information they need to do some of that analysis.
- 11 And this witness also testified that he
- 12 has held a number of positions inside the Company
- 13 with regard to engineering, planning, district
- 14 supervisor of engineering and some other things
- 15 that would give him a working knowledge of the
- 16 Company's system and the information that's needed
- 17 to maintain it.
- Now, I'm not going to ask him questions
- 19 about the operation. I'm just asking him whether
- 20 or not the information that we talked about in this
- 21 line of questioning is information that would be
- 22 useful in and necessary to the safe and reliable

- 1 operation of the Company's primary distribution
- 2 system.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. It's overruled.
- 4 If he knows.
- 5 THE WITNESS: Again, the Company maintains
- 6 mapping records in order to operate its system.
- 7 It -- you know, and if it's those types of mapping
- 8 records that you're speaking of, we have that
- 9 information in the form of maps.
- 10 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 11 Q. So you're saying except for a map, the
- 12 Company doesn't have any information on the
- 13 operating voltage, number of phases, circuit
- 14 capabilities, circuit connectivity or load flow for
- 15 its primary distribution system?
- 16 A. The maps will tell you the operating
- 17 voltage, the number of phases, the connectivity
- 18 between interconnected feeders.
- 19 I've kind of lost track of your question
- 20 now, but...
- 21 Q. You're saying all of that information will
- 22 be specified on the maps maintained by the Company

- 1 of its system; is that what you're saying?
- 2 A. Some of the information that you described
- 3 is maintained on the maps, but the loadings on
- 4 those feeders are not part of the mapping process.
- 5 Q. Are you saying that you can maintain the
- 6 system and have people go out and work on it
- 7 without knowing what the loads are on some of those
- 8 feeders?
- 9 MR. ROONEY: I just renew my objection here.
- 10 He's asking about what the Company needs
- 11 to know to maintain and operate its system,
- 12 which -- I believe that's what his question was.
- MR. ROBERTSON: Obviously, this witness has the
- 14 capability of responding to the question because I
- 15 assume that that was part of his job responsibility
- 16 when he first went to work for the Company.
- 17 And if you look at his qualifications
- 18 that he describes in his direct testimony, he
- 19 describes in sufficient detail his ability to
- 20 answer these questions.
- 21 And, again, this goes more to the
- 22 presence of the information that the Company needs

- 1 to make this analysis and whether or not this
- 2 witness is aware that the Company has this
- 3 information in its possession.
- 4 MR. ROONEY: I think -- your Honor, we're not
- 5 discussing Mr. Alongi's qualifications. We're
- 6 discussing it within the context of the scope of
- 7 his testimony. And the question really is, is the
- 8 information necessary to conduct an analysis versus
- 9 the information necessary to operate and maintain
- 10 service on the system.
- 11 MR. ROBERTSON: Well, the witness testifies that
- 12 among the information he needs to have in order to
- 13 do this complex and controversial and
- 14 multidimensional analysis is which components are
- 15 operating at different primary voltages or are
- 16 shared component that support two or more primary
- 17 voltages.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: It's overruled. He's entitled
- 19 to test Mr. Alongi's knowledge and background.
- 20 THE WITNESS: If this analysis that you're
- 21 describing is the analysis that's needed to segment
- 22 the system, the primary voltage system, into

- 1 smaller subsegments, there -- there certainly is
- 2 information that could be compiled, but, as I
- 3 described, it -- it's at least -- I'll say this:
- 4 The work that we performed to segment
- 5 the system into two parts, primary and secondary,
- 6 is going on two years of litigation and very
- 7 contentious arguments by several parties. Parties
- 8 in this case have asked us to segment it much
- 9 further. And I think in my surrebuttal testimony,
- 10 I said 39 subsegments; but I tried to duplicate
- 11 that and I could come up with at least 30
- 12 subsequents.
- 13 And it's my contention that conducting
- 14 such an analysis is a waste of resources and
- 15 litigation time and -- it's -- it's extremely
- 16 difficult to take information from maps and try to
- 17 allocate costs that have been depreciated over time
- 18 in accounts that don't lend themselves to
- 19 identifying all the different segments of the
- 20 system that these parties want us to segment it
- 21 into.
- 22 MR. ROBERTSON: I think I'm going to move to

- 1 strike the answer because I don't think there was a
- 2 question pending. He was responding to a comment
- 3 that I made to Mr. Rooney in our argument. Though,
- 4 to the best of my recollection --
- 5 MR. ROONEY: I think my objection was overruled
- 6 and the witness was asked to answer the question.
- 7 I think he did his best to answer the
- 8 question.
- 9 MR. ROBERTSON: Could you read the question back
- 10 for me, if you can find it?
- 11 (Record read as requested.)
- 12 MR. ROBERTSON: I think his answer went more
- 13 along the lines about why he didn't want to do the
- 14 analysis. And so I'll revise my objection to say
- 15 the answer is not responsive because he was not
- 16 responding to that specific question which was
- 17 objected to and overruled.
- 18 MR. ROONEY: I think Mr. Alongi was responding
- 19 to the question of whether or not the information
- 20 that Mr. Ericson (sic) was suggesting was available
- 21 could be used with regards to the analysis that is
- 22 conducted -- or being proposed to be conducted.

- 1 MR. ROBERTSON: That's -- that's not the
- 2 question that was specifically asked, I don't
- 3 think.
- 4 I asked him whether or not he maintained
- 5 this information.
- 6 JUDGE SAINSOT: Judge Dolan and I agree that the
- 7 answer that was given was not -- not responsive --
- 8 thank you, Judge Dolan -- to the question posed.
- 9 So your motion to strike is granted.
- 10 MR. ROBERTSON: Thank you.
- 11 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 12 Q. Now talk to you about rate design. We're
- 13 going to move on to a different subject.
- 14 **A.** Okay.
- 15 Q. Now, I want to talk to you about your
- 16 proposal for allocation of the revenue increase in
- 17 this case as compared to the IIEC proposal and the
- 18 Staff proposal, if I may.
- 19 And I assume that you are generally
- 20 familiar with both the IIEC and Staff proposal?
- 21 A. Probably a little more familiar with the
- 22 IIEC proposal.

- 1 Q. Now, would you agree that IIEC proposes to
- 2 increase class revenues by one-third of the
- 3 difference between current class revenues and class
- 4 revenues under the embedded cost of service study
- 5 approved by the Commission in this case?
- 6 A. For which classes?
- 7 Q. For the high voltage, extra large load and
- 8 railroad classes.
- 9 A. It was my understanding that Mr. Stevens
- 10 agreed with the four-step movement towards cost,
- 11 but I also understand he offered a different
- 12 proposal to cap the increases of any customer
- 13 classes at 150 percent of the system average
- 14 increase?
- 15 Q. I'm going to get to that.
- 16 So you don't know as you sit there
- 17 whether or not IIEC initially proposes to increase
- 18 class revenues by one-third of the difference
- 19 between current class revenues and class revenues
- 20 under the embedded cost of service study approved
- 21 by the Commission in this case as a first step?
- 22 A. I don't know that.

- 1 Q. Okay. Now, ComEd proposes to increase each
- 2 of the individual rate elements for the
- 3 nonresidential classes to 100 percent of the
- 4 embedded cost of service for that rate component
- 5 with one exception; is that correct?
- 6 A. Each of the nonresidential classes? Each
- 7 component?
- 8 Q. The individual rate elements -- I'll try it
- 9 again.
- 10 ComEd's --
- 11 A. I think I can answer your question --
- 12 **Q.** Okay.
- 13 A. -- if I understand it correctly.
- 14 Because ComEd's proposal is to move the
- 15 high voltage, extra large load and railroad classes
- 16 towards cost, the other nonresidential customer
- 17 classes have to absorb the under-recovery of the
- 18 cost from those three classes I just mentioned.
- 19 So the other nonresidential classes will
- 20 not be at a hundred percent of embedded cost. They
- 21 will be more.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Robertson, how much more do

- 1 you have?
- 2 MR. ROBERTSON: This is the last -- this is the
- 3 last line, your Honor.
- 4 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 5 Q. Referring to your direct testimony, ComEd
- 6 Exhibit 16.0, second revised, Pages 27 to 34, you
- 7 discuss the allocation of the revenue requirement
- 8 among the delivery classes and the various rate
- 9 components.
- 10 A. Could you give me a page again?
- 11 Q. Begins at Page 27.
- 12 **A.** Okay.
- 13 Q. Now, there, you -- if I'm -- my notes are
- 14 correct, you suggest that you use an equal
- 15 percentage of embedded cost, EPEC, method to
- 16 initially allocate revenue requirement among the
- 17 delivery service classes.
- 18 That's the nonresidential delivery
- 19 service classes; is that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct. That's what it says
- 21 beginning at Line 504.
- 22 Q. All right. And so you initially allocate

- 1 the revenue requirement among the delivery service
- 2 rate class -- nonresidential rate classes and the
- 3 various components of the rates for those classes;
- 4 is that correct?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. So, first, you set each rate component for
- 7 each class at its equal percentage of corresponding
- 8 unitized embedded cost for that component for that
- 9 class?
- 10 A. As a first step.
- 11 Q. Okay. And the second step is that you
- 12 incorporate certain deviations from a pure EPC
- 13 (sic) rate design; is that correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. And you note that DCFs (sic) for --
- 16 distribution facilities charges for nonresidential
- 17 extra large load delivery classes, the railroad
- 18 delivery class and the high voltage class do not
- 19 recover their corresponding -- the corresponding
- 20 cost to serve those customers; is that correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. So you propose to move the DFC closer to

- 1 cost as measured by the cost of service study?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 Q. And the cost you're talking about is the
- 4 distribution facility charge cost as measured in
- 5 the cost of service study?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. Now, as I understand it, the Staff takes
- 8 your approach and then moves the DFC an additional
- 9 33 percent towards the DFC cost of service as
- 10 measured by the cost of service study; is that
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. I know they take those classes closer to
- 13 cost by, I think, another 33 percent. I'm not sure
- 14 if it's done through the DFC, but I agree generally
- 15 with your comment.
- 16 Q. All right. Lastly, would you look at your
- 17 surrebuttal testimony, Exhibit 3.0, at Page 30,
- 18 Lines 665 to 666.
- 19 And here, you character- --
- 20 A. Could you give me the page again?
- 21 **Q.** Yeah.
- 22 A. Page 30.

- 1 **Q.** 665 to 666.
- 2 You characterize Mr. Stevens as
- 3 proposing a delay. Is it actually your
- 4 understanding that Mr. Stevens is proposing a
- 5 specific delay or is he simply saying that if ComEd
- 6 determines that it must manually bill customers and
- 7 this creates a significant burden, then a delay
- 8 would be acceptable?
- 9 A. If you're quoting Mr. Stevens' testimony, I
- 10 don't dispute that's what he said.
- 11 Q. Okay. At Line 671 of your testimony, your
- 12 surrebuttal testimony here, are you essentially
- 13 saying ComEd would rather manually bill, if
- 14 necessary, than phase in the change in order to
- 15 avoid manual billing?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 MR. ROBERTSON: Okay. That's it.
- 18 I did have one point -- you were absent
- 19 from the room, your Honor, I think -- that I wanted
- 20 to go back and look at a note about Mr. Heintz'
- 21 cost of service study.
- 22 And if we could take a -- if we need to

- 1 take a little break or a luncheon break, I can find
- 2 it. If I can't find it, then I'm -- my cross will
- 3 be over. If I do find it, I've got two questions
- 4 left that I need to ask him.
- 5 JUDGE DOLAN: I would say probably, at this
- 6 point, we probably should just break for lunch and
- 7 give everybody a chance to recharge.
- 8 MR. ROBERTSON: Thank you, Mr. Alongi.
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: How about we'll be back at 1:30.
- 10 (Whereupon, a luncheon
- 11 recess was taken to resume
- 12 at 1:30 p.m.)
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- 1 (Whereupon, a brief
- 2 recess was taken.)
- 3 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 4 Q. Mr. Alongi, would you accept, subject to
- 5 check, that Schedule 2A of ComEd Exhibit 7.5.1
- 6 shows the allocation of the cost of ComEd's system
- 7 to the various delivery service rate classes?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Would you accept that at Line 83 on Pages 5
- 10 of 16 and Line 83 on Pages 6 of 16 of Schedule 2A
- 11 shows the allocation of the embedded cost of line
- 12 transformer to the various rate classes?
- I can show it to you.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Do you agree that that schedule shows that
- 16 the cost of line transformers are allocated to each
- 17 of the delivery service rate classes with the
- 18 exception of the railroad class?
- 19 **A.** Yes.
- 20 Q. And do you agree that there are certain
- 21 nonresidential rate classes that include both
- 22 primary and secondary customers?

- 1 A. Under the current class structure, that's
- 2 correct.
- 3 Q. This study, which is from Exhibit 75.1, is
- 4 the Company's proposed cost-of-service study in
- 5 this case; is that correct?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. And would you agree with me that the
- 8 allocation shows that there has been no -- would
- 9 you agree that line transformers in this study have
- 10 therefore been allocated to both, the cost of line
- 11 transformers has been allocated to both primary and
- 12 secondary voltage customers?
- 13 A. That's correct. And I would add that
- 14 ComEd's current rate design includes a rider that
- 15 allows a credit for customer-owned transformers. So
- 16 customers that don't use ComEd transformers don't
- 17 pay for them.
- 18 MR. ROBERTSON: I have nothing further.
- 19 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Boehm, please.

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- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MR. BOEHM:
- 4 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Alongi. My name is
- 5 Kurt Boehm. I represent the Kroger Company.
- 6 A. Good afternoon.
- 7 Q. I have an exhibit that I would like to have
- 8 marked as Kroger Cross-Examination Exhibit 1.
- 9 (Whereupon, Kroger Cross-Exhibit
- No. 1 was marked for
- identification.)
- 12 BY MR. BOEHM:
- 13 Q. Do you recognize this document, Mr. Alongi?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- 15 Q. Could you please identify this document for
- 16 the record.
- 17 A. This is ComEd's response to Data Request
- 18 No. IIEC 9.01, supplemental response.
- 19 Q. Did you help to prepare this document?
- 20 A. It was prepared under my direction.
- 21 Q. This is a response to some data requests
- 22 filed by IIEC in which they asked for the Company

- 1 to respond to the direct testimony of their
- 2 witness,
- 3 Mr. Stowe, in which he makes some statements
- 4 regarding improper allocation of certain
- 5 single-phase primary circuits; is that correct?
- 6 A. Mr. Stowe's statements were, yeah,
- 7 single-phase primary circuits are almost never used
- 8 to serve primary customers, and are rarely, if
- 9 ever, used to serve primary customers. And we had
- 10 provided some information to demonstrate that
- 11 single-phased circuits are used to serve primary
- 12 voltage customers at the primary voltage.
- 13 Q. At the second line of your supplemental
- 14 response, you identify 28 meters that are
- 15 single-phased meters with potential transformers
- 16 used to measure the usage of primary voltage.
- 17 Are these the same 28 meters that you
- 18 referenced in your response to Mr. Robertson's
- 19 cross-examination just a few moments ago?
- 20 **A.** Yes.
- 21 Q. Thank you.
- 22 MR. BOEHM: Kroger moves for the admission of

- 1 this exhibit to the record.
- 2 JUDGE SAINSOT: Any objection?
- 3 (No response.)
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: Hearing none, your motion is
- 5 granted, Counsel.
- 6 BY MR. BOEHM:
- 7 Q. I want to talk to you about the exemplary
- 8 design of rate proposal.
- 9 In the exemplary design, the Company
- 10 would differentiate between primary and secondary
- 11 voltage; is that correct?
- 12 A. The rates that would be charged to
- 13 customers that receive service at a primary voltage
- 14 would be different rates than those customers
- 15 receiving service at a secondary voltage, so that's
- 16 correct.
- 17 Q. Would this differentiation be -- according
- 18 to your proposal, would it be at 100 percent of the
- 19 cost difference between secondary and primary?
- 20 A. I'm not sure I understand your question.
- 21 Q. In other words, would you be moving to
- 22 differentiated rates between primary and secondary,

- 1 would you be moving entirely to that difference in
- 2 rates to reflect that difference in rates or would
- 3 you phase it in?
- 4 A. Well, for the extra-large load class, the
- 5 high-voltage delivery class and the railroad class,
- 6 we are following a movement towards costs in steps
- 7 that the Commission outlined in their last order in
- 8 ComEd's last rate case; although, we also proposed
- 9 to elongate the movement of those costs for the
- 10 railroad class.
- 11 So in that respect, it is a movement
- 12 towards cost-based rates for primary and secondary
- 13 for those customer classes. And other customer
- 14 classes that are bearing the burden of those
- 15 subsidies will be moved in time to their cost-based
- 16 rates as well. If they're overpaying currently,
- 17 they will be moved downward towards their costs.
- 18 Q. I just want to make sure I understand you
- 19 correctly.
- 20 So if the Commission approves the
- 21 exemplary rates, the secondary customers will
- 22 experience a rate increase as a result of this

- 1 decision to reflect the difference between
- 2 secondary and primary costs; is that correct?
- 3 A. I think as a general matter, there are more
- 4 costs being borne by the secondary customers as a
- 5 result of the separation of primary and secondary
- 6 voltage costs within the Company study, but I can't
- 7 say class by class, if that's true, because of
- 8 other changes in the rate design to accommodate the
- 9 phase into cost-based rates for the other three
- 10 classes that I mentioned.
- 11 Q. If you just look at the one item, if you
- 12 take out the equation phase of the cost-based rates
- 13 and you just look at the one item of the secondary
- 14 and primary rates being differentiated, would
- 15 secondary customers receive a rate increase as a
- 16 result of this move?
- 17 A. I think with all things being equal, that
- 18 would be a true statement.
- 19 Q. Is this movement toward a differentiation
- 20 between secondary and primary? Does it go
- 21 100 percent toward costs just of that single issue?
- 22 A. The analysis that we conducted and provided

- 1 for an input into the better cost-of-service study
- 2 allocated all costs that were identified as
- 3 secondary to secondary and all costs that were
- 4 identified as primary to primary.
- 5 So, to that extent, it would be taking
- 6 the full costs, but the output of the embedded
- 7 cost-of-service study is an input to the rate
- 8 design, and the rate design includes these
- 9 modifications to move certain classes towards
- 10 cost-based rates over time.
- 11 Q. I understand that there's two parts of it.
- 12 So I'll ask you about the second half.
- So the answer is, yes, on the first
- 14 question; is that correct?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. And the second part that you referenced was
- 17 the movement toward cost of service, and that
- 18 refers to a subsidy paid to the extra-large load,
- 19 very large load and railroad classes; is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. It's the high-voltage class, the
- 22 extra-large load and railroad class.

- 1 Q. And that subsidy is being phased out,
- 2 correct?
- 3 A. Over time, over multiple rate cases.
- 4 Q. So in other words, one cost issue is being
- 5 phased out sort of gradually, and that is the
- 6 subsidy to the classes that you just referenced,
- 7 but the other sort of inequity in rates, if you
- 8 want to call it that, which is the
- 9 secondary/primary split, you went 100 percent
- 10 toward rectifying that inequity in your proposal
- 11 for the exemplary rates; is that correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- 13 MR. BOEHM: That's all the questions I have.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Balough?
- 16 MR. BALOUGH: Thank you.
- 17 MR. ROBERTSON: Before Mr. Balough starts, I
- 18 would like to put in as part of the
- 19 cross-examination of this witness a copy of his
- 20 response to IIEC Data Request 12.04 for the purpose
- 21 of having the table that's shown on there in the
- 22 record.

- 1 JUDGE SAINSOT: Any objection?
- 2 MR. ROONEY: No objection.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: What do you call that?
- 4 MR. ROBERTSON: IIEC Cross-Exhibit 4, I think.
- 5 JUDGE SAINSOT: I will just take it down to the
- 6 Xerox machine.
- 7 For the record, hearing no objection to
- 8 Mr. Robertson's motion, IIEC Cross-Exhibit 4 is
- 9 entered into evidence.
- 10 (Whereupon, IIEC Cross-Exhibit
- No. 4 was admitted into
- 12 evidence.)
- 13 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 14 BY
- MR. BALOUGH:
- 16 Q. Good afternoon. As you know, I'm Richard
- 17 Balough, and I represent the Chicago Transit
- 18 Authority.
- 19 A. Good afternoon, Mr. Balough.
- 20 Q. You're aware in this case that the Chicago
- 21 Transit Authority and Metra are requesting a more
- 22 specific study be conducted to determine what

- 1 facilities serve the railroad class?
- 2 A. I am aware of that, and I am opposed to
- 3 that.
- 4 Q. That was my second question, whether you
- 5 were opposed to it. All right.
- Now, in the last rate case, the
- 7 Commission ordered a study, kind of a joint study
- 8 between ComEd and two railroad classes to do a load
- 9 flow concerning the traction power substations; is
- 10 that correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And that study was conducted prior to this
- 13 case being initiated; is that correct?
- 14 A. That's correct, and the results of that
- 15 study are Exhibit 16.4.
- 16 Q. And as part of that study, the participant
- 17 to the study had to identify the specific circuits
- 18 that were used to serve the traction power
- 19 substations; is that correct?
- 20 A. That's correct. In order to conduct the
- 21 power flow, you need to know the circuits involved,
- 22 the impedence of those circuits, the load on those

- 1 circuits and where that load is located.
- 2 Q. So ComEd has specific information then
- 3 concerning those circuits that are serving the
- 4 railroad class?
- 5 A. For planning purposes, yes.
- 6 MR. BALOUGH: That's all the questions I have.
- 7 Thank you.
- 8 JUDGE DOLAN: And REACT?
- 9 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 10 BY
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND:
- 12 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Alongi.
- 13 A. Good afternoon, Mr. Townsend, and,
- 14 Mr. Tierney.
- 15 Q. Chris Townsend on behalf of REACT, the
- 16 Coalition to Request Equitable Allocation of Costs
- 17 Together.
- 18 You know that REACT is made up of some
- 19 of the largest commercial industrial and municipal
- 20 entities in Northern Illinois along with retail
- 21 electric suppliers that are interested in
- 22 potentially serving residential customers, correct?

- 1 A. I've taken a look at some information on
- 2 the Internet to see how large these companies
- 3 actually are, and I found that half of them employ
- 4 less than 525 employees, so I'm not sure by what
- 5 measure you're measuring your clients, but I don't
- 6 know --
- 7 Q. Would you agree that the City of Chicago --
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Excuse me. He didn't finish his
- 9 answer.
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm sorry. Go ahead.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Again, I don't know by what measure
- 12 you're measuring the size of these employers, but I
- 13 can also say that two of them are in the small load
- 14 class, one is in very large load class, four are in
- 15 the extra-large load class.
- 16 MR. ROONEY: Mr. Alongi, if you could speak up a
- 17 little louder. Thank you.
- 18 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 19 Q. Would you agree that the City of Chicago
- 20 alone employs over 30,000 employees?
- 21 A. I couldn't find that on the Internet, but I
- 22 accept that, subject to check.

- 1 Q. When did you perform that analysis?
- 2 A. In preparation for this cross-examination.
- 3 Q. When was that?
- 4 A. Last week.
- 5 Q. And did you share that with any of the
- 6 parties as preparation you had done as a work
- 7 paper? Did you provide that to any other parties?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Your position at ComEd is manager of retail
- 10 rates, correct?
- 11 A. That's correct.
- 12 Q. And in that role, your primary duties are
- 13 plan and direct and development and implementation
- 14 of ComEd's retail tariffs, right?
- 15 A. That's correct.
- 16 Q. Those duties include planning and direction
- 17 of ComEd's retail rate design, activities to
- 18 support the cost-of-service study and retail rate
- 19 administration, right?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. You also direct the preparation of the
- 22 necessary filings of such tariffs with the

- 1 Commission, correct?
- 2 A. That's all in my direct testimony, yes.
- 3 Q. Were you aware that on certain occasions
- 4 other ComEd witnesses have deferred to you on
- 5 issues of rate design?
- 6 A. Vaguely aware, yes.
- 7 Q. For example, you know that Dr. Hemphill
- 8 deferred to you regarding questions about the
- 9 standard service to customers in the extra-large
- 10 load customer class, right?
- 11 A. That may be true.
- 12 Q. Are you aware that he deferred to you about
- 13 standard service to customers in the
- 14 over-10-megawatt high-voltage class?
- 15 A. That, too, may be true.
- 16 Q. You weren't informed about that in
- 17 preparation for your testimony here today?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Are you aware that Mr. Guerra indicated
- 20 that he was unable to answer questions about the
- 21 rate impacts for the over-10-megawatt customers?
- 22 A. I'm not aware of that, no.

- 1 Q. You're familiar with the final order in
- 2 Docket 07-0566, the 2007 ComEd rate case, right?
- 3 A. When that order was issued, I reviewed it
- 4 in order to help prepare the tariffs, yes.
- 5 Q. You were actually involved in that case,
- 6 weren't you?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. You testified regarding the issue of
- 9 primary/secondary split in that proceeding,
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. I think that was the subject of the
- 12 testimony in that case, that's kind of genesis of
- 13 the primary/secondary analysis that was performed
- 14 in the what we called rate design investigation.
- MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honors, may I approach?
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 17 MR. TOWNSEND: I will hand you what is being
- 18 marked as REACT Cross-Exhibit No. 22.
- 19 (Whereupon, REACT
- 20 Cross-Exhibit No. 22 was
- 21 marked for identification.)

22

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. Is that an excerpt of your surrebuttal
- 3 testimony in that case?
- 4 A. Yes, it appears to be ComEd Exhibit 45 in
- 5 Docket 07-0566.
- 6 Q. And in particular, it's Page 4 of that
- 7 surrebuttal testimony, correct?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. And at Lines 77 to 82, you testified that:
- 10 To the extent that a more refind
- 11 identification and assignment of primary
- 12 and secondary distribution facilities
- 13 costs might change the total cost allocation
- 14 to customers in the extra-large load,
- 15 high-voltage or railroad delivery classes,
- it is ComEd's position that its mitigation
- 17 proposal presented in the rebuttal phase
- 18 of this proceeding addresses such a
- 19 potential result while providing for its
- 20 main purpose, which is a phased
- 21 transition to fully cost based
- delivery rates for all delivery classes.

- 1 Correct?
- 2 A. Other than it says "phased in transition,"
- 3 yes, that's what it says.
- 4 Q. You would agree that setting rates based on
- 5 cost of assets used to serve a customer class is a
- 6 different issue from rate mitigation, correct?
- 7 A. A study to allocate costs based on assets
- 8 used by classes would be what I call a bottoms-up
- 9 analysis, which is not called for by the Illinois
- 10 Administrative Code 285.5110.
- 11 Q. Well, a bottoms-up analysis is different
- 12 than analyzing rate mitigation, right?
- 13 A. Completely different.
- 14 Q. Do you have before you what's been
- 15 previously marked as REACT Cross-Exhibit 13,
- 16 excerpts of the final order in the 2007 ComEd rate
- 17 case?
- 18 A. I may have something, but if you can bring
- 19 it over.
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: Do you need one?
- 21 MR. ROONEY: Please.
- MR. TOWNSEND: (Tendering document.)

- 1 MR. ROONEY: Thank you.
- 2 JUDGE SAINSOT: What is REACT Exhibit 13?
- 3 MR. TOWNSEND: It's excerpts of the 2007 ComEd
- 4 rate case final order.
- 5 JUDGE SAINSOT: Is this entered into evidence?
- 6 MR. TOWNSEND: It wasn't entered. Again, I
- 7 didn't think it was necessary to actually enter the
- 8 text.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: That's fine.
- 10 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 11 Q. I direct your attention to the bottom of
- 12 Page 206 of that 2007 order.
- 13 At the bottom of Page 206, the
- 14 Commission states that ComEd contends their
- 15 primary/secondary cost differentiation is neither
- 16 practical nor necessary.
- 17 ComEd says that it is not required to
- 18 record its gross planned or cumulated depreciation
- 19 on its books in a manner that would facilitate
- 20 changing the ECOSS to recognize the
- 21 primary/secondary distinction, correct?
- 22 A. That's what the order says.

- 1 Q. And the Commission also noted -- and were
- 2 you aware that the Commission noted that ComEd
- 3 admits that the assignment of primary and secondary
- 4 distribution costs would likely reduce the total
- 5 cost allocation to customers in extra-large load,
- 6 high-voltage and railroad delivery classes?
- 7 A. I recall a statement like that in the
- 8 order.
- 9 Q. And the Commission concluded that that
- 10 overlooks the Commission's explicit policy
- 11 objective of assigning costs where they belong,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. That's what this says on Page 206, yes.
- 14 Q. And you'd agree with the policy objective
- 15 of assigning costs where they belong, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And you agree that costs should be
- 18 allocated as precisely as reasonably possible to
- 19 the group of customers who benefit from particular
- 20 services provided by ComEd, correct?
- 21 A. As reasonably possible, yes.
- 22 Q. So costs associated with providing services

- 1 to one class of customers should be recovered in
- 2 the rates charged to that group of customers?
- 3 A. Right.
- 4 Q. And costs associated with providing service
- 5 to more than one class of customer should be
- 6 recovered by allocating the costs among the rates
- 7 charged to the customer classes that receive that
- 8 service, right?
- 9 A. Yes, that's how cost-of-service studies are
- 10 performed, on a delivery-class basis.
- 11 Q. And in both ComEd's 2007 rate case and in
- 12 this proceeding, ComEd has recommended using an
- 13 embedded cost-of-service study, right?
- 14 A. That's the only study we offer, and it's in
- 15 compliance with -- again, Illinois Administrative
- 16 Code Part 285.
- 17 Q. Would you agree that an embedded
- 18 cost-of-service study is designed to answer the
- 19 question, how can the utilities booked expenses be
- 20 allocated between customer classes to reflect how
- 21 each class causes the utility to incur the costs?
- 22 A. Could you read that back or say it again.

- 1 Q. The ECOSS is designed to answer how can the
- 2 utilities booked expenses be allocated among
- 3 customer classes to reflect how each class causes
- 4 the utility to incur costs?
- 5 A. It's my understanding that's what an
- 6 embedded cost-of-service study does, yes.
- 7 Q. Are you aware in ComEd's 2007 rate case,
- 8 the Commission reached some conclusions that were
- 9 highly critical of ComEd's embedded cost-of-service
- 10 study?
- 11 MR. ROONEY: I object at this point, your Honor.
- 12 Mr. Alongi is not the cost-of-service
- 13 witness for the Company. That witness was
- 14 Mr. Heintz, and at that juncture, REACT chose to
- 15 waive cross-examination of Mr. Heintz on
- 16 cost-of-service issues.
- 17 MR. TOWNSEND: This is the witness who testifies
- 18 about the overall rate design, which is based upon
- 19 the ECOSS. I'm not asking a detailed question
- 20 about the embedded cost-of-service study or how it
- 21 was conducted.
- This witness also has indicated that he

- 1 is the witness that prepares the necessary filings
- 2 of the tariffs with the Commission based upon the
- 3 Commission's prior orders.
- 4 So I'm asking him his understanding of
- 5 that prior order.
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: We will overrule. He can answer.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Can someone read the question
- 8 back.
- 9 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 10 Q. Are you aware that the Commission, in 2007
- 11 rate case, reached some conclusions that were
- 12 highly critical of ComEd's embedded cost-of-service
- 13 study?
- 14 A. I recall that in the order they were
- 15 critical. I don't recall if they said "highly
- 16 critical."
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Townsend, for the record
- 18 you're talking about the cost-of-service study that
- 19 was performed in that docket?
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: That's correct.
- Thank you, your Honor.
- 22 BY MR. TOWNSEND:

- 1 Q. And the Commission did not adopt ComEd's
- 2 mitigation proposal that it made in the 2007 rate
- 3 case, correct?
- 4 A. No, the Commission adopted a variation of
- 5 the 50 percent movement to costs that ComEd
- 6 proposed in that case, and they chose to move in
- 7 four steps, with the first step being 25 percent.
- 8 Q. You're aware that the Commission suggested
- 9 that ComEd's embedded cost-of-service study in the
- 10 2007 rate case did not appropriately assign costs
- 11 in accordance with cost causation principles,
- 12 right?
- 13 A. I believe there was a question in the
- 14 Commission's mind as to whether costs were being
- 15 assigned appropriately, which is why I believe they
- 16 initiated the rate design investigation in that
- 17 proceeding.
- 18 Q. Can you turn to Page 213 of REACT
- 19 Cross-Exhibit 13.
- 20 **A.** Okay.
- 21 Q. The first paragraph the Commission says
- 22 that the Commission finds the embedded

- 1 cost-of-service study fails in several respects to
- 2 properly allocate significant costs to cost-causers
- 3 and to correctly measure the cost of service to
- 4 various classes and subclasses, correct?
- 5 A. That's what it says.
- 6 Q. You also understand that the Commission
- 7 found that ComEd's embedded cost-of-service study
- 8 in that rate case was so flawed that it was
- 9 problematic, relying upon it to set rates in that
- 10 proceeding, correct?
- 11 A. Again, I don't recall the "so flawed," but
- 12 I know they have concerns.
- 13 Q. Actually, in the third paragraph there, the
- 14 second sentence, it says:
- 15 "However, as we've noted the
- 16 substantial deficiencies and the specific
- 17 elements of the ECOSS render it
- 18 problematic for purposes of rate setting
- in this docket."
- 20 Correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And in the fourth paragraph, the Commission

- 1 stated:
- 2 "That we determined that the
- 3 proper assignment of primary and
- 4 secondary distribution costs would likely
- 5 reduce the total cost allocation to
- 6 customers in the extra-large load,
- 7 high-voltage and railroad delivery
- 8 classes."
- 9 Right?
- 10 A. That's what it says, correct.
- 11 Q. As a result of its concerns, the Commission
- 12 refused to grant ComEd the level of rate increase
- 13 that ComEd sought for of over-10-megawatt customer
- 14 classes, right?
- 15 A. That why it chose to move them more slowly
- 16 to costs.
- 17 Q. On the same day that the Commission issued
- 18 its final order in the 2007 rate case, the
- 19 Commission opened an investigation under ComEd's
- 20 rate design under Section 9.250, correct?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. And you participated in that case,

- 1 Docket No. 08-0532, correct?
- 2 **A.** I did.
- 3 Q. If I refer to that as the Special
- 4 Investigation Proceeding, you'll understand what I
- 5 mean?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. Is it fair to say that among other issues,
- 8 the Special Investigation Proceeding covered the
- 9 concerns raised by the Commission that we discussed
- 10 a few minutes ago regarding the appropriate
- 11 allocation of costs?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. The Commission issued its final order in
- 14 the Special Investigation Proceeding in April of
- 15 2010, correct?
- 16 A. April 21, as I recall.
- 17 Q. And in its final order of the Special
- 18 Investigation Proceeding, the Commission did not
- 19 accept the primary/secondary analysis that ComEd
- 20 had presented in that proceeding, right?
- 21 A. It recommended changes.
- 22 Q. It made specific requirements about what

- 1 ComEd issued include in its embedded
- 2 cost-of-service study in this case, correct?
- 3 A. It listed a number of changes that should
- 4 be made.
- 5 Q. Do you have REACT Cross-Exhibit 4, which is
- 6 excerpts from the final order of that proceeding?
- 7 **A.** No.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: May I approach, your Honor?
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: Again, this was introduced
- 11 previously.
- 12 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 13 Q. I turn your attention to the bottom of Page
- 14 38, there the Commission stated that based upon
- 15 ComEd's tariffs and the description of the system
- 16 provided to us, we find ComEd's current method of
- 17 allocating transformer costs is not appropriate.
- 18 When the exiting voltage of the
- 19 transformer is secondary, the transformer can only
- 20 serve secondary customers and shall be allocated as
- 21 a secondary system cost, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. And on Page 39, in the third paragraph, the
- 2 Commission states that with regard to customers
- 3 with both primary and secondary service points
- 4 that, quote:
- 5 "We find that the rates charged to
- these customers should reflect their use
- 7 of transformers and some use of the
- 8 secondary distribution system."
- 9 Right?
- 10 A. Is that where you have it bracketed on
- 11 Page 39, according to our reading?
- 12 Q. Right after that, the next sentence.
- 13 **A.** Yes, okay.
- 14 Q. Do you agree?
- 15 A. I agree that's what it says, yes.
- 16 Q. And on Pages 39 to 40, the Commission
- 17 directed the parties to examine the different
- 18 voltage levels within the classes requesting
- 19 further review in ComEd's next rate case of, quote:
- 20 "The costs assigned as either
- 21 primary or secondary costs or allocated
- 22 as general costs combining the

- 1 percentages of primary and secondary
- 2 usage. "
- 3 Correct?
- 4 A. Yes, in its next rate case.
- 5 Q. And on Page 40, Item 4, in the first full
- 6 paragraph, the Commission directed ComEd to
- 7 present, quote:
- 8 "An analysis of which customer
- 9 groups are served by which systems
- 10 service components."
- 11 Correct?
- 12 **A.** You're on Page 40?
- 13 Q. Page 40, Item 4, in the first paragraph.
- 14 A. Oh, okay. Yes.
- 15 Q. Mr. Alongi, I would like to now turn to the
- 16 assets used to serve the over-10-megawatt customer
- 17 classes.
- 18 Would it be fair to say that ComEd
- 19 believes that its proposed embedded cost-of-service
- 20 study accurately reflects the cost to serve the
- 21 over-10-megawatt customer classes, right?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And it would be fair to say that ComEd
- 2 believes that its preferred exemplar, even though
- 3 ComEd is not proposing it, would, if the Commission
- 4 adopted it, reflect the cost to serve the
- 5 over-10-megawatt customer classes, correct?
- 6 A. With a differentiation in rates for those
- 7 customers in the extra-large load class that are
- 8 served at a primary voltage, as well as any other
- 9 class served at a primary voltage, yes.
- 10 Q. And when you agreed that these two embedded
- 11 cost-of-service studies accurately reflected the
- 12 cost to serve, that means that they reflect, in
- 13 ComEd's view, the cost of the assets used to serve
- 14 those customers, right?
- 15 A. Based upon the uniform system of accounts,
- 16 yes.
- 17 Q. You further have testified that the rates
- 18 for certain delivery classes are cost based; is
- 19 that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And when you refer to cost-based rates in
- 22 your prefiled testimony, as well as in the

- 1 cross-examination today, you were referring to
- 2 rates that are based on ComEd's embedded
- 3 cost-of-service study, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Likewise, today when you responded to
- 6 questions from Mr. Feeley regarding subsidies, you
- 7 were referring to comparing the existing and
- 8 proposed rates to ComEd's proposed embedded
- 9 cost-of-service study, correct?
- 10 A. As I recall, Mr. Feeley also asked me about
- 11 the exemplar rates. And there are customer classes
- 12 in each of the rate designs we presented in this
- 13 case that are at 100 percent EPEC, and there are
- 14 other delivery classes that are not.
- 15 Q. But when you use the term "subsidies,"
- 16 you're using that to indicate that the rates are
- 17 not achieving 100 percent, equal percentage of
- 18 marginal EPMC of your embedded cost-of-service
- 19 study, correct?
- 20 MR. ROONEY: Objection; just for clarification,
- 21 I think you meant equal percentage of embedded
- 22 cost.

- 1 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm sorry. Of embedded costs,
- 2 old cases.
- 3 THE WITNESS: All right. With the clarification
- 4 that you mean 100 percent of the EPEC, there are
- 5 delivery classes that are under recovering the
- 6 costs that would be assigned with the embedded
- 7 cost-of-service study, yes.
- 8 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 9 Q. You weren't referring to an actual
- 10 cost-of-service study, you were referring to the
- 11 embedded cost-of-service study?
- 12 A. I don't know what you mean by "actual."
- The embedded cost-of-service meets the
- 14 requirements of Administrative Code Part 285.5510.
- 15 That's the cost-of-service study that we are
- 16 obligated to present.
- 17 Q. And that's the one that you were referring
- 18 to when you were talking about subsidies?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Let's discuss the assets that are used to
- 21 serve those customers.
- 22 Are you familiar with the term,

- 1 "standard service"?
- 2 **A.** Yes.
- 3 Q. Would you agree that standard service means
- 4 standard distribution facilities installation
- 5 provided by ComEd for a retail customer that
- 6 includes distribution facilities adequate to
- 7 provide the single point of delivery, the electric
- 8 power and energy required by such retail customer?
- 9 A. It sounds like a quote from our General
- 10 Terms and Conditions.
- 11 Q. And can we agree that when I refer to
- 12 "standard service," I'm referring to the concept we
- 13 just discussed there?
- 14 A. Right.
- 15 Standard service is generally used in
- 16 determining costs that a customer might be
- 17 obligated to pay when they request facilities at
- 18 their premises that are different than standard.
- 19 Q. So "standard services" is actually used to
- 20 define another term which is "required service,"
- 21 right?
- 22 A. No. "Required" is whatever the customer

- 1 requests.
- 2 The difference between "standard" and
- 3 "required" is nonstandard, and that's usually a
- 4 computation that results in a payment from the
- 5 customer where there is nonstandard facilities and
- 6 services.
- 7 Q. Can we agree that when we talk about
- 8 "standard service," we're talking about standard
- 9 distribution facilities provided by the Company for
- 10 a retail customer that includes distribution
- 11 facilities adequate to provide a single delivery
- 12 point, the electric power and energy required by
- 13 the retail customer?
- 14 A. That's what our General Terms and
- 15 Conditions defines it as, yes.
- 16 Q. Now, not all members of the
- 17 over-10-megawatt customer class receives standard
- 18 service, right?
- 19 A. There is very few customers in any class
- 20 that actually receives standard service.
- 21 Q. ComEd allows customers to have nonstandard
- 22 service where the customers receive additional

- 1 services or services at multiple voltages, right?
- 2 A. That's correct, as long as they pay the
- 3 difference between the standard allowance and the
- 4 required facilities and any rental for re-useable
- 5 equipment that is determined to be nonstandard.
- 6 Q. Okay. We'll talk about the "nonstandard" in
- 7 just a minute.
- But, first, I want to confirm some
- 9 attributes of the standard service to the
- 10 extra-large load customer class.
- 11 For example, an extra-large load class
- 12 customer's typically served by an on-site electric
- 13 service station, or ESS, on customer property,
- 14 rather than a community transformer, correct?
- 15 A. Customers in the extra-large load class
- 16 typically are served to electric service stations
- 17 and may also be served by community transformers,
- 18 depending on what they request.
- 19 Q. But normally, a customer in the extra-large
- 20 load delivery class, would receive service through
- 21 an ESS on the customer's property as standard
- 22 service?

- 1 A. As a general manner, extra-large load
- 2 customers do receive service with an electric
- 3 service station. And I would agree that the
- 4 standard installation on that customer's property
- 5 would be an electric service station, if they
- 6 request something different than what is standard,
- 7 which is basically the least cost plan.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: May I approach, your Honor?
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: I will hand you what is being
- 11 marked as REACT Cross-Exhibit 23, which is ComEd's
- 12 response to REACT Data Request 6.11.
- 13 Let me know once you have had a chance
- 14 to review that.
- 15 (Whereupon, REACT
- 16 Cross-Exhibit No. 23 was
- 17 marked for identification.)
- 18 THE WITNESS: I have reviewed it, and I suggest
- 19 that it's what I just said.
- 20 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 21 Q. As part of that response, it states that as
- 22 a practical matter, although an ESS is normally

- 1 provided as standard service installation for a
- 2 customer in the extra-large load delivery class,
- 3 there may be circumstances in which service from a
- 4 community transformer may be provided in addition
- 5 to an ESS at no additional charge, and thus,
- 6 considered part of the customer's standard service
- 7 if such a plan for providing service is determined
- 8 by ComEd in the least-cost manner provide the
- 9 customer's requested service, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. In other words, ComEd only sets out to
- 12 charge the customer for their ESS, correct?
- 13 A. I'm not sure what you mean by ComEd only
- 14 sets out to charge for the ESS.
- 15 Are you talking about that particular
- 16 circumstance?
- 17 Q. In that circumstance.
- 18 A. Yeah, in the circumstance that I was trying
- 19 to describe in this example was, there may be
- 20 situations where a customer with an electric
- 21 service station add sufficient load to warrant a
- 22 change in the standard transformation, but for

- 1 whatever reason elects to take service from a
- 2 community transformer that may be at the west end
- 3 of the plant instead of the east end where the
- 4 electric service station is.
- 5 And had the customer taken service at
- 6 one point of service, ComEd would have increased
- 7 the capacity of the electric service station and
- 8 that increase is what we call a change-out
- 9 allowance. And if that change-out allowance is
- 10 sufficient, the point of service from the community
- 11 transformer may be less, and that becomes the least
- 12 cost plan, so therefore, there is no charge.
- 13 Q. Does ComEd agree with REACT Witness
- 14 Terhune's statements that extra-large load customer
- 15 class ESSs are fed by 12 kV or higher three-phase
- 16 lines?
- 17 **A.** No.
- 18 Q. If an extra-large load customer was served
- 19 its standard service, would it be served at a 12 kV
- 20 line or higher line?
- 21 A. Not necessarily, it depends on where the
- 22 customer is located. The customer could be served

- 1 at 138 kV, it could be 12 kV, it could be 24, it
- 2 could be 4 kV. It depends on what circuits are
- 3 available.
- 4 Q. Can you think of an example where a
- 5 customer with a demand of over 10,000 kilowatts is
- 6 served at a single point of service at 4 kV?
- 7 A. Off the top of my head, no, but that's not
- 8 to say none exist.
- 9 MR. TOWNSEND: May I approach, your Honor?
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND: I will hand you what is being
- 12 marked REACT Cross-Exhibit 24, ComEd's response to
- 13 Staff Data Request PL2.08.
- 14 (Whereupon, REACT
- 15 Cross-Exhibit No. 24 was
- 16 marked for identification.)
- 17 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 18 Q. And in the second paragraph of that
- 19 response, does it state that the amount of electric
- 20 power and energy required by the customer in the
- 21 extra-large delivery class and railroad delivery
- 22 class would qualify the customer for primary

- 1 voltage service connection which would typically be
- 2 12 kV or 34 kV service point in order to provide
- 3 enough capacity for a service connection at a
- 4 single delivery point or more than one service
- 5 point in some circumstances?
- 6 A. That's what it said. But as I mentioned,
- 7 there are circumstances or there may be
- 8 circumstances where a large load customer locates
- 9 on a 4 kV, part of ComEd service territory, and
- 10 that becomes the least cost plan, if we can provide
- 11 the capacity through those 4 kV circuits. And
- 12 that's the reason why the word "typically" is
- 13 there.
- 14 And, again -- well, I'll stop there.
- 15 Q. Isn't it fair to say that ComEd thought
- 16 that this was an adequate assumption to base a cost
- 17 estimate on for its primary delivery class?
- 18 A. What cost estimate?
- 19 Q. You based your primary delivery class on
- 20 the assumption of this being a typical situation,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Primary delivery class is based upon

- 1 receiving service at 12 kV or 4 kV or above,
- 2 actually.
- 3 Q. And we agreed earlier that ComEd believes
- 4 that its preferred exemplar ECOSS accurately
- 5 represents cost causation associated with the
- 6 assets used to serve those customers, correct?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 And the primary-voltage class, please
- 9 remember, there is no transformation unless there
- 10 is a transformation from one primary voltage to
- 11 another primary voltage.
- So, for example, there may be a
- 13 transformation from 34 kV to 4 kV, 34 to 12, 12 to
- 14 4, those are also considered primary-voltage
- 15 customers, which is the reason why we have a
- 16 separate primary voltage transformer charge
- 17 included in our exemplar rate design.
- 18 Q. I would like to show you what has been
- 19 previously admitted as REACT Exhibit 6.1.
- 20 Actually, I believe this is Page 1 of REACT
- 21 Exhibit 6.1, an attachment to Mr. Terhune's
- 22 testimony.

- This is a marked version of ComEd's own
- 2 diagram from its loss-factor study, ComEd Exhibit
- 3 34.1 Appendix B, entitled Simplified System
- 4 Resistance Model, correct?
- 5 A. That's what it appears to be, yes.
- 6 Q. Mr. Terhune testified that this diagram
- 7 depicts the various paths from the bulk power
- 8 system with generation and transmission through the
- 9 elements of the delivery system to the individual
- 10 retail customers, right?
- 11 A. I don't remember what Mr. Terhune might
- 12 have testified to with respect to this diagram.
- 13 Q. Well, would you agree that this diagram
- 14 depicts the various paths from generation to
- 15 transmission through to the customers which are
- 16 represented in the C box?
- 17 A. Yes, but I don't understand what the red X
- 18 is and things like that mean. I do understand that
- 19 this is a -- and it says Simplified System
- 20 Resistance Model for the purpose of conducting a
- 21 loss study, not for the purpose of conducting a
- 22 cost study.

- 1 Q. So on the chart for any particular customer
- 2 in the box labeled "C," you would agree that there
- 3 are assets that are used to represent the standard
- 4 service for the customer represented by that C,
- 5 correct?
- 6 MR. ROONEY: I object, your Honor.
- 7 Mr. Alongi, this is not his chart, he
- 8 didn't prepare it. This was prepared by Mr. Born
- 9 as part of his testimony.
- 10 Mr. Alongi has already testified, in
- 11 fact, he's unsure of what some of the red marks and
- 12 Xs are on this document.
- 13 JUDGE SAINSOT: Can I have the question read
- 14 back again please.
- 15 (Whereupon, the record
- 16 was read as requested.)
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: Overruled.
- 18 THE WITNESS: I don't know if this represents
- 19 standard service.
- 20 Standard service, again, is those
- 21 facilities located at the customer's premises that
- 22 are determined to be the least cost plan for

- 1 providing service at that point from ComEd's
- 2 system, and it can be a variety of different
- 3 combinations of circuits, transformers.
- 4 So to say that this is representative of
- 5 what standard service is, I don't think I can agree
- 6 with that statement, because again, as I testified
- 7 in my -- one of my testimonies, there are
- 8 situations where an extra-large load customer, for
- 9 example, may take service from a single-phase
- 10 primary tap and may have paid -- or you know, even
- 11 a 4 kV three-phase circuit, and may have paid
- 12 nonstandard facilities for those facilities located
- 13 on their property, but they didn't pay anything for
- 14 the use of those facilities off the property, and
- 15 that's why it's appropriate to allocate costs of
- 16 ComEd's entire distribution system to all customer
- 17 classes because they, in some way, shape or form,
- 18 use that system and were not charged nonstandard
- 19 facility charges for that use.
- 20 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 21 Q. If a customer were to be taking 138 kV
- 22 service at a single point, would you agree that

- 1 that customer's standard service would be reflected
- 2 by the boxes that are connected to the 138 kV
- 3 transformer, Box 1?
- 4 A. If that is that customer's only point of
- 5 service, that would represent that customer's
- 6 standard installation.
- 7 Q. To the extent that an over-10-megawatt
- 8 customer has standard service, it's reasonable to
- 9 assume that their standard service looks something
- 10 like what's represented on this chart, correct?
- 11 A. Where on this chart are you talking about?
- 12 Q. If they're receiving standard service, you
- 13 would be able to flow the power through the system
- 14 to one of the boxes marked C, correct -- again, for
- 15 a standard single point of service?
- 16 A. Which customer class?
- 17 Q. Over-10-megawatt.
- 18 A. The extra-large load?
- 19 Q. Extra-large load customer class.
- 20 A. It could be any one of the number of
- 21 different boxes.
- 22 Q. But it would be one of the boxes

- 1 represented here?
- 2 A. I think that would be fair to say.
- 3 Q. And you know that REACT has set forth that
- 4 this chart represents standard service for the
- 5 extra-large load customer class, that you can flow
- 6 standard service through the generation
- 7 transmission system through to a single point of
- 8 delivery for an extra-large load customer on this
- 9 diagram, correct?
- 10 A. Again, I don't recall exactly what
- 11 Mr. Terhune testified to, whether he used this
- 12 diagram or explained his rationale in words.
- 13 Q. Did you provide any rebuttal testimony with
- 14 regards to this portion of Mr. Terhune's testimony
- 15 where he referenced this diagram?
- 16 A. Quite frankly, I don't remember that
- 17 reference, but if you could refresh my memory.
- 18 Q. Well, are you aware of any ComEd witness
- 19 that engaged Mr. Terhune on that issue?
- 20 A. Well, my position has been that, as I
- 21 understand what REACT is asking the Company to do,
- 22 is segment its system into smaller subsegments,

- 1 -its primary distribution system into smaller
- 2 subsegments.
- 3 I remember Mr. Terhune indicating that
- 4 extra-large load customers use three-phase. He
- 5 talked about -- maybe this is what he said, that
- 6 they don't use three-phase load capability lines,
- 7 they don't use single-phase lines, they don't use
- 8 two-phase lines, they don't use 4 kV lines, a
- 9 number of components of our system that they
- 10 claimed they don't use, and I disagree with that.
- 11 Q. But in terms of defining what standard
- 12 service is for the extra-large load customer class,
- 13 you're aware that what Mr. Terhune says is that the
- 14 extra-large load customer class is only served for
- 15 standard service via the green boxes and not the
- 16 red boxes or the lines that have red Xs on them,
- 17 correct?
- 18 MR. ROONEY: Objection; asked and answered.
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: He already testified about the
- 20 boxes, that he didn't understand the Xs.
- 21 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm just asking if that's his
- 22 understanding of Mr. Terhune's testimony, that

- 1 that's what this represents, that the green boxes
- 2 are the ones that are used to serve the extra-large
- 3 load customer classes.
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: All right.
- 5 MR. ROONEY: I think he answered -- excuse me. I
- 6 didn't mean to interrupt.
- 7 Mr. Alongi answered that he wasn't sure
- 8 what Mr. Terhune testified to. He identified what
- 9 he thought Mr. Terhune said wasn't part of that
- 10 with to which he disagreed.
- 11 THE WITNESS: I think -- if I may, I think I
- 12 understand the question now, because red boxes that
- 13 are X'd out, are those components of ComEd's system
- 14 that I believe Mr. Terhune says are not used in the
- 15 provision of standard service, and I disagree.
- 16 I mentioned the 4 kV feeders. You've
- 17 got those boxes X'd out. And there may be
- 18 circumstances where an over-10-megawatt customer
- 19 takes service exclusively from the 4 kV feeders,
- 20 depending on the circumstances.
- 21 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 22 Q. ComEd hasn't presented any testimony about

- 1 the precise circumstances as to when they could use
- 2 the 4 kV and the other assets that you just
- 3 identified, has it?
- 4 MR. ROONEY: Objection to the extent that it
- 5 assume that's Mr. Alongi knows what every other
- 6 witness testified to. He can speak for what he
- 7 testifies to.
- 8 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 9 Q. If you're aware of other testimony, please
- 10 illuminate us; otherwise, explain what it is that
- 11 your testimonies say.
- 12 A. Well, my testimony basically says that the
- 13 analysis that I understand REACT and others want
- 14 ComEd to perform is what I call a bottoms-up
- 15 approach to cost allocation represented by
- 16 identifying all the different components
- 17 represented on this diagram for one; although, it
- 18 doesn't show a single-phase and two-phase which
- 19 others and REACT has mentioned.
- 20 And, you know, I keep referring back to
- 21 Section 285.5110, Schedule E6, Embedded Class
- 22 Cost-of-Service Studies, Electric and Gas

- 1 Utilities. All costs broken down by ICC accounting,
- 2 a list of demand and/or energy loss factors by
- 3 customer class used in the study.
- I don't see how identifying assets used,
- 5 whether they be standard or required or
- 6 nonstandard, is helpful for performing a
- 7 cost-of-service study.
- 8 Q. You have not presented, and no other ComEd
- 9 witness has presented, a bottoms-up analysis, as
- 10 you referred to it, correct?
- 11 A. ComEd certainly has not, no.
- 12 Q. And Part 285 isn't the only source of
- 13 obligations on the Company, correct?
- 14 A. On the utilities they are.
- 15 Q. And Commission's orders, too, correct?
- 16 A. I would agree.
- 17 Q. REACT has requested that ComEd identify
- 18 specific instances where extra-large load customer
- 19 class customers receive service from 4 kV assets,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. I believe we prepared a data request
- 22 response to that effect.

- 1 Q. Did ComEd actually identify any such assets
- 2 in service that are used to provide service to
- 3 specific customers in the extra-large load customer
- 4 class?
- 5 A. As I recall, we identified points of
- 6 service, medium points of service were connected,
- 7 either through transformers or directly, to 4 kV
- 8 circuits. I seem to recall a number of 46 in the
- 9 number of points of service in the extra-large load
- 10 class that receive service in some way, shape or
- 11 form through 4 kV.
- 12 Q. Did ComEd ever confirm whether those assets
- 13 were not billed under Rider NS?
- 14 A. There is really no need to because anything
- 15 billed under Rider NS is not part of our revenue
- 16 requirement.
- 17 Q. So do you know if those 46 points of
- 18 service that you just referred to are part of your
- 19 revenue requirement?
- 20 A. I couldn't say for sure, which part of
- 21 those circuits are or are not part of the revenue
- 22 requirement because it's not recorded in the manner

- 1 that I could make that determination, but I can
- 2 assure you that our revenue requirement excludes
- 3 any contributions in native construction derived
- 4 from Rider NS and any rental revenues derived from
- 5 Rider NS.
- 6 Q. Did ComEd confirm whether any of those
- 7 assets were provided for ComEd's convenience as an
- 8 alternative to 12 kV or higher three-phase service?
- 9 MR. ROONEY: Excuse me. Convenience to who?
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: To ComEd.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: So provided by the customer?
- 12 MR. TOWNSEND: Provided by ComEd's because of
- 13 ComEd's desire, as opposed to one of the customer's
- 14 requests.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Now, we are talking about
- 16 equipment, components of the distribution system
- 17 that have been installed over decades, would be my
- 18 guess, and there's quite frankly, no way to
- 19 identify them the way that you're suggesting. It's
- 20 taken off the top, so-to-speak, and the costs that
- 21 we allocate are only those costs that we're
- 22 entitled to.

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. Let's discuss for a moment the payment for
- 3 nonstandard service. ComEd's position is that all
- 4 assets assigned to rate base for the extra-large
- 5 load customer class are recovered through rate RDS,
- 6 correct?
- 7 A. For the ICC jurisdictional base rates,
- 8 that's correct.
- 9 Q. This includes recovery for any single-phase
- 10 or two-phase line or any 4 kV transformer in rate
- 11 base that have been allocated to the extra-large
- 12 load customer class, right?
- 13 A. It includes costs of those facilities as
- 14 they're allocated to all customer classes, yes.
- 15 Q. ComEd has allocated costs to the
- 16 over-10-megawatt customer class from some
- 17 categories of assets that are not typically used to
- 18 provide standard service to those customer classes,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. I don't know that.
- 21 Q. Well, ComEd has not specifically identified
- 22 which individual assets are used to serve those

- 1 customer classes, right?
- 2 A. As I said a number of times, there is no
- 3 need to.
- 4 Q. Despite your belief that there wasn't a
- 5 need to, ComEd has not presented that testimony in
- 6 this case, right?
- 7 A. Testimony to identify specific assets?
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 **A.** No.
- 10 Q. Nor as ComEd specifically identified which
- 11 individual assets were paid for under Rider NS to
- 12 provide nonstandard service, correct?
- 13 A. I'll say it again, there is no need to.
- 14 It's --
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Alongi, you have to answer
- 16 the question. It's a "yes" or "no" question.
- 17 THE WITNESS: What was the question please?
- 18 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 19 Q. ComEd has not specifically identified which
- 20 individual assets were paid for under Rider NS to
- 21 provide nonstandard service, correct?
- 22 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. I just mentioned Rider NS. You're familiar
- 2 with that?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. It's a rider that allows for the recovery
- 5 of costs ComEd incurs associated with assets
- 6 installed for a specific customer whose service is
- 7 different from standard service, right?
- 8 A. That's correct, from a specific customer.
- 9 Q. And assets paid for under Rider NS are not
- 10 part of the rate base, correct?
- 11 A. The assets paid for is a contribution in
- 12 native construction on that part of rate base. The
- 13 assets that are recovered through monthly Rider NS
- 14 rentals are a reduction to the revenue requirement.
- 15 Q. So they're not part of rate base, correct?
- 16 A. They're not part of the revenue
- 17 requirement.
- 18 Q. Now, ComEd has provided some information
- 19 about facilities paid for under Rider NS in
- 20 discovery, right?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 Q. And those documents were produced in

- 1 response to the Administrative Law Judges
- 2 On-the-Record Data Request No. 1, correct?
- 3 A. I believe that's correct, yes.
- 4 MR. TOWNSEND: Can we go off the record for just
- 5 one moment, your Honor.
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: Yes.
- 7 (Whereupon, a discussion was
- 8 had off the record.)
- 9 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, if I may approach?
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND: We have talked with counsel --
- 12 and, again, Mr. Rooney, you would like to have this
- 13 document kept confidential?
- MR. ROONEY: Yes, please.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: Just hand it to me. I will mark
- 16 it confidential, if it's not marked.
- 17 MR. TOWNSEND: (Tendering document.)
- 18 That will be REACT -- and actually, if
- 19 we can have that cover page on it, that's the
- 20 response itself.
- 21 JUDGE SAINSOT: These are all confidential?
- 22 MR. ROONEY: Yes.

- 1 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. This is REACT
- 2 Cross-Exhibit No. 25.
- 3 (Whereupon, REACT
- 4 Cross-Exhibit No. 25
- 5 Confidential was marked for
- 6
 identification.)
- 7 MR. TOWNSEND: 25, and why don't we call it
- 8 "REACT confidential," so that in the title of it,
- 9 we all recognize it.
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: All right.
- 11 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 12 Q. And would you agree, Mr. Alongi, that REACT
- 13 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential is ComEd's response
- 14 to what it referred to as the Administrative Law
- 15 Judges On-the-Record Data Request No. 1?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And that request directed ComEd to provide
- 18 quote, "all documents pertinent to Rider NS
- 19 concerning the extra-large load customer
- 20 build-outs."
- 21 Correct?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. I will hand you what's now being marked as
- 3 REACT Cross-Exhibit 26 Confidential, which is a
- 4 summary of the data contained within REACT's
- 5 Cross-Examination Exhibit 25 Confidential.
- 6 A. When you say it's being marked, that means
- 7 we are marking it?
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay.
- 10 (Whereupon, REACT
- 11 Cross-Exhibit No. 26
- 12 Confidential was marked for
- identification.)
- 14 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 15 Q. Would you accept, subject to check, that
- 16 REACT Cross-Exhibit 26 is a summary of the data
- 17 contained in REACT's Cross-Examination Exhibit 25
- 18 Confidential?
- 19 MR. ROONEY: Objection, your Honor.
- In this instance, we would ask, first of
- 21 all, that there be a foundation laid as to when
- 22 this witness has seen it and is he familiar with

- 1 this information and did he prepare it.
- 2 JUDGE SAINSOT: I agree. Sustained.
- 3 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 4 Q. Mr. Alongi, are you aware that REACT has
- 5 made an offer of proof with regards to the
- 6 Administrative Law Judges on the Record Data
- 7 Request No. 1?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. Had you previously seen any analysis of the
- 10 information that you provided in REACT
- 11 Cross-Exhibit No. 25 Confidential?
- MR. ROONEY: Analysis by who?
- MR. TOWNSEND: By anyone.
- 14 THE WITNESS: REACT's Cross-Exhibit 25?
- MR. TOWNSEND: The information that was provided
- 16 in response to the Administrative Law Judges
- 17 On-the-Record Data Request.
- 18 Did you see any analysis associated with
- 19 that data?
- 20 THE WITNESS: No.
- 21 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 22 Q. Would you accept, subject to check, that

- 1 only two-tenths of a percent of the capacity in kVA
- 2 of the assets detailed in the response to REACT
- 3 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential --
- 4 A. I have not.
- 5 Q. -- were single- or two-phased distribution
- 6 lines?
- 7 MR. ROONEY: Objection, your Honor.
- In this instance, we are talking about a
- 9 document that is, as you can see, thick.
- 10 Mr. Alongi's testified that he hasn't
- 11 conducted any analysis associated with this and
- 12 hasn't seen any analysis associated with this.
- We believe it's inappropriate for him to
- 14 be asked to accept, subject to check, in an effort
- 15 to present affirmative evidence on an issue that
- 16 he's testified he has not seen any analysis on.
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, I don't know that you
- 18 necessarily need to see analysis.
- MR. RIPPIE: If your Honors will indulge me, I
- 20 was here at the time of the offer of proof debate.
- The document that's been marked as REACT
- 22 26 is a document that was submitted purportedly as

- 1 part of an offer of proof after your Honors in no
- 2 uncertain terms rejected attempts to offer it as
- 3 affirmative evidence.
- Now, we're going to attempt to get it
- 5 into evidence by asking Mr. Alongi, who has never
- 6 seen the document before, to accept portions of it,
- 7 subject to check. That is objectionable.
- 8 This is part of an offer of proof. It
- 9 may or may not be a proper offer of proof, but it
- 10 is an offer of proof, and we shouldn't sneak it in
- 11 the backdoor by asking a witness about it who has
- 12 never seen it before.
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: I object to that
- 14 characterization.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: Has Mr. Alongi seen these
- 16 documents before?
- 17 MR. RIPPIE: The ComEd documents, not the REACT
- 18 documents.
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, you shouldn't --
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: Mr. Rippie's characterization is
- 21 not accurate. REACT Cross-Examination Exhibit 26
- 22 was attached to the offer of proof, but this is a

- 1 separate analysis of the data that Mr. Alongi is
- 2 responsible for providing to us.
- 3 So, what we've done is try to go through
- 4 and provide, for the Commission, a summary form of
- 5 that data.
- 6 Now, we can go through and try to build
- 7 up the data that's contained in this so that we can
- 8 determine the amount of assets that are actually in
- 9 there or we can accept it, subject to check, which
- 10 is Commission practice, which would allow them to
- 11 take a look at this analysis and check the analysis
- 12 to see if they agree with that analysis or not.
- 13 MR. ROONEY: Your Honors, Mr. Alongi didn't
- 14 prepare this analysis. He's never seen this
- 15 document before that's presented here now. And
- 16 whatever the analysis is trying to do, it's trying
- 17 to apparently distill this information.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, asking somebody a date,
- 19 subject to check, or a particular number, subject
- 20 to check, on the idea that it might be 7 million as
- 21 opposed to 8 million is one thing. But having him
- 22 go through the whole document or accept what you're

- 1 saying about a document he's never seen before, no,
- 2 no.
- 3 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, I'm just asking him
- 4 the bottom-line question that you're suggesting.
- 5 The question that was pending is that is
- 6 he willing to accept, subject to check, that only
- 7 two-tenths of a percent of the capacity of the
- 8 assets that are identified in there are single- or
- 9 two-phased assets. That's the --
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: But he's never seen this
- 11 document before.
- 12 MR. TOWNSEND: No, I'm sorry. It's based on
- 13 this document.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: But he doesn't know that.
- MR. TOWNSEND: He is the one that is responsible
- 16 for this data request response.
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: But not this one. He's supposed
- 18 to take your word that this equals this?
- 19 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm not asking him to take my
- 20 word. I'm asking him if he would agree that this
- 21 document, the REACT Confidential 25, reflects that
- 22 only two-tenths of a percent of the capacity in

- 1 REACT's 25 --
- 2 MR. RIPPIE: Perhaps, we can sort of cut through
- 3 this without any characterizations.
- 4 There are rules governing the
- 5 introduction of summary evidence. This witness is
- 6 being handed a relatively thick group of ComEd
- 7 documents, and being asked to accept a mathematical
- 8 calculation. If he happens to know the answer to
- 9 that, I suppose he can testify to it.
- 10 But this is not how you lay a foundation
- 11 for a summary; it is not the required foundation
- 12 for summary evidence in the rules; and it is most
- 13 certainly attached to the offer of proof, but --
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, I totally agree with
- 15 Mr. Rippie.
- 16 If you want to ask him about what he
- 17 knows in ComEd Exhibit 25, go crazy.
- 18 JUDGE DOLAN: Cross-Exhibit.
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: Cross-Exhibit. But not 26.
- 20 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 21 Q. Mr. Alongi, are you aware of what single-
- 22 or two-phase assets are reflected in REACT

- 1 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential?
- 2 A. I have not done that analysis, no.
- 3 Q. And how would you go about doing that
- 4 analysis?
- 5 A. I would have to --
- 6 MR. ROONEY: Objection.
- 7 What is that relevant to at this
- 8 juncture?
- 9 The fact that he's testified he hasn't
- 10 performed analysis and the fact that another party
- 11 wants to conduct analysis, that's not necessarily
- 12 relevant to Mr. Alongi's testimony.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: What is the question? I'm
- 14 sorry.
- MR. TOWNSEND: So, again, Judge, this goes to
- 16 this whole question of this single-phase and
- 17 two-phase assets that are used to serve this
- 18 customer class.
- 19 In this response to Confidential Exhibit
- 20 25, ComEd has provided some information about the
- 21 single- and the double- or the two-phase assets
- 22 that are used to provide that customer class.

- 1 So I'm trying to get at what that
- 2 information is in here. Again, whether it's
- 3 indicative of REACT's claim that there are very few
- 4 single- and two-phase distribution lines that are
- 5 used to serve this customer class.
- 6 MR. ROONEY: I would like to correct
- 7 Mr. Townsend, it is reflected as well in our data
- 8 request response. This is information that was
- 9 provided. It clearly is not reflective of serving
- 10 all of the customers in the customer class. It's
- 11 regarding serving --
- MR. TOWNSEND: 45 out of the 56.
- MR. ROONEY: -- out of 57 customers.
- 14 A, it's not all the assets related to
- 15 the customer class. And, B, it's not the entire
- 16 customer class. And, C, this reflects assets
- 17 served at a point in time and costs at a point in
- 18 time.
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay, with that duly noted, your
- 20 objection is overruled.
- 21 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 22 Q. So how would you go about determining from

- 1 the information in REACT Cross-Exhibit 25
- 2 Confidential what assets are single-phase versus
- 3 two-phase that are used to provide service to the
- 4 extra-large load customer class under Rider NS?
- 5 A. I have to go line by line and see if it is
- 6 a single-phase piece of equipment or a two-phase
- 7 piece of equipment or a three-phase piece of
- 8 equipment, but doing that for any one class is
- 9 inappropriate to determine what they don't use
- 10 because, as we tried to demonstrate in my Exhibit
- 11 49.5 other customers can claim they don't use other
- 12 assets, and it's a tug of war between who's using
- 13 what at what point in time at what point in the
- 14 system. It's an exercise in futility.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: For the record, Mr. Alongi,
- 16 we're not going to make you go line by line.
- 17 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 18 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, I note for the record
- 19 our witness has gone line by line and that is what
- 20 is contained within the offer of proof.
- 21 MR. ROONEY: And there is no evidence in the
- 22 record. There is an offer of proof to which, quite

- 1 honesty, the Company is considering whether or not
- 2 it may make a filing, but it's not in the evidence
- 3 right now, your Honor.
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: I understand. That's why it's an
- 5 offer of proof.
- 6 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 7 Q. How would you go about determining from the
- 8 information provided in REACT Cross-Exhibit 25
- 9 Confidential whether the extra-large load class
- 10 customers were served by 4 kV transformers under
- 11 Rider NS?
- 12 A. You'd have to take a look again line by
- 13 line of all the transformer entries to determine
- 14 what the source size voltage of the transformer is
- 15 or in some cases, as I see on the first line
- 16 listed, the transformer is a -- I'll call it 12 kV
- 17 to 4 kV transformer, so that customer is served by
- 18 4 kV.
- 19 Q. From a 12 kV transformer?
- 20 A. From a 12 kV transformer.
- 21 But you have to look at line by line
- 22 every transformer in this stack of papers, which is

- 1 two-sided, to determine what those transformers are
- 2 on the source side of the transformer and you
- 3 really need to look at what they are on the load
- 4 side as well for purposes of the primary voltage
- 5 delivery class whether they should be included in
- 6 that class.
- 7 Q. You see on the first page, about halfway
- 8 down, there are three lines that begin 1-15?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Can you describe what those three lines
- 11 are.
- 12 **A.** Those are three single-phase 15 kVA
- 13 conventional overhead transformers, 7,620 volts to
- 14 120/240 volt phase to neutral. And they're
- 15 probably connected in a closed delta configuration
- 16 to provide three-phase service, but you can't tell
- 17 that from looking at this.
- 18 It could be three single-phased
- 19 transformers or three-single phase points of
- 20 service located at different points of service on
- 21 the customer's premises. It could be one single
- 22 phase -- well, no, strike that -- because this is

- 1 just assigned one transformer number, so that's a
- 2 three-phase cluster of kVA single-phase
- 3 transformers.
- 4 Q. The way that you determine whether or not
- 5 it's three-phase is to look to see whether the
- 6 transformer number is the same?
- 7 A. Right. I'm assuming it's the same because
- 8 it's redacted, and they followed the redacted
- 9 transformer number.
- 10 Q. And the line that begins "1-25 AVA," that
- 11 would be a single-phase transformer, correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. And you could go through this entire
- 14 response to determine what percent of the capacity
- 15 of the assets detailed in REACT Cross-Exhibit 25
- 16 Confidential are a single-phase versus two-phase,
- 17 correct?
- 18 A. I could, but I see no purpose in doing so.
- 19 Q. Would you agree that although ComEd is
- 20 allocated the extra-large load customer class, a
- 21 portion of single- and two-phase assets in 4 kV
- 22 transformers is not provided a specific asset base

- 1 support for that allocation?
- 2 A. It's allocated based on coincident peak and
- 3 non-coincident peak for their use of the system,
- 4 not in terms of assets.
- 5 Q. You know that REACT is suggesting that
- 6 ComEd undertake a survey to identify the assets
- 7 used to serve the extra-large load customer class,
- 8 right?
- 9 A. That's my understanding that they would
- 10 like ComEd to perform a customer-by-customer
- 11 investigation of what assets serve each and every
- 12 customer in that class, yes.
- 13 Q. We'll talk about your characterization of
- 14 that in just a moment.
- But in your rate design surrebuttal
- 16 testimony, you criticize the concept of the survey
- 17 on two grounds, correct? Lines 462 to 517 of your
- 18 surrebuttal testimony, the two grounds that you
- 19 identify are, one, that it would be very complex;
- 20 and, two, that it would provide one-sided results.
- 21 Does that accurately reflect your basic
- 22 points?

- 1 A. To sum it up, it would be very complex. It
- 2 would be inequitable because if do you it for one
- 3 class, you should do it for all classes.
- 4 And it would be controversial because
- 5 it's the classic tug of war between customer
- 6 classes on who is using what.
- 7 And, again, if I go back to my Exhibit
- 8 49.5, there are single-phase customers that can
- 9 argue, I use one phase of the three-phase circuit,
- 10 I don't use all three phases, why should I pay.
- 11 There are customers on the main line
- 12 that don't use any taps, whether they be secondary
- 13 or primary, they can argue they don't use any of
- 14 the taps, single-phase, two-phase, three-phase,
- 15 whatever.
- 16 They can even argue their usage should
- 17 be determined based on their location on these
- 18 circuits and we have 6,400 primary circuits. It's
- 19 ridiculous.
- 20 Q. So did you add any additional points there,
- 21 or are the two general points that it would be very
- 22 complex and that it would produce one-sided

- 1 results? Is there a third point?
- 2 A. It's controversial.
- 3 Q. It's controversial?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. You would agree that your current method of
- 6 allocating costs has been subject to controversy in
- 7 the 2007 rate case, the Special Investigation
- 8 Proceeding, and in this proceeding, correct?
- 9 A. It was highly debated, yes.
- 10 Q. You wouldn't say it's controversial?
- 11 **A.** The primary/secondary?
- 12 Q. The entire allocation of cost question.
- 13 A. It's a subject of this litigation, so yes,
- 14 it's controversial.
- 15 Q. Now, in your rate design rebuttal, and
- 16 actually just earlier, you argued that REACT was
- 17 advocating for individualized cost-of-service
- 18 studies, right?
- 19 A. That's my understanding of what's being
- 20 requested. If you need to do an asset-by-asset
- 21 evaluation for a customer class, you need to do an
- 22 asset-by-asset allocation of all the customers in

- 1 that class.
- 2 Q. Are you aware that Mr. Terhune specifically
- 3 explained seeking individualized cost-of-service in
- 4 his rebuttal testimony?
- 5 A. I understand that's what he said, yes. I
- 6 don't believe that's what it would require.
- 7 Q. And Mr. Terhune said that he made no such
- 8 recommendation in his direct testimony and he makes
- 9 no recommendation in his rebuttal testimony, but
- 10 what he does recommend is that the Commission
- 11 ensure that the ComEd's rates are actually cost
- 12 based, correct?
- 13 A. That's probably a reasonable
- 14 characterization of what Mr. Terhune said.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Alongi, you could really
- 16 help us all out here by just answering "yes" or
- 17 "no" when it's a "yes" or "no" question. Thanks.
- 18 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 19 Q. Now, one of the criticisms about conducting
- 20 the survey that REACT is advocating is that it's
- 21 too complex, right? We established that?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Now, for the record, ComEd made the same
- 2 argument with regards to the primary/secondary
- 3 study in its 2007 rate case, correct?
- 4 A. I'm not sure this is a "yes" or "no"
- 5 answer, because we did argue that the data was not
- 6 identified in our uniform system of accounts in a
- 7 way that lends itself to separating cost by primary
- 8 or secondary. So, yes, it was complex.
- 9 Q. But the Commission, nonetheless, compelled
- 10 ComEd to undertake the primary/secondary study,
- 11 correct?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And ComEd has raised numerous issues
- 14 regarding the difficulty of pinpointing the exact
- 15 facilities used to serve a customer given the
- 16 different configurations of the system to
- 17 accommodate outages and maintenance, right?
- 18 A. Well, we know where the facilities are
- 19 located, but because of the reconfiguration, the
- 20 source of feed to those facilities changes.
- 21 Q. ComEd would only have to look at a subset
- 22 of its 6,400 circuits in order to determine which

- 1 assets serve the extra-large load customer class,
- 2 right?
- 3 A. A large subset, yes.
- 4 Q. In fact, ComEd stated that roughly 252
- 5 circuits served the extra-large load customer
- 6 class, right?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 And we identified another 558, as I
- 9 recall, that are directly interconnected and used
- 10 uncertain circumstances to serve those same
- 11 customers, and it would be reasonable to look at
- 12 those feeders as well, because they are used by
- 13 those customers.
- 14 Q. So less than one-sixth of the circuits,
- 15 correct?
- 16 **A.** 810 circuits.
- 17 Q. Has any party suggested to the Commission
- 18 that sampling techniques are appropriate for
- 19 identifying assets used to serve a particular
- 20 class?
- 21 A. There were some direction to take a look at
- 22 how sampling could be used in the rate design

- 1 investigation order, yes.
- 2 Q. In fact, the Commission -- do you have
- 3 before you that excerpt from the Commission's final
- 4 order in that case, REACT Cross-Exhibit 4?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. And in that order, the Commission
- 7 repeatedly suggests that sampling would be
- 8 appropriate, right? The top of Page 138 in the
- 9 paragraph we talked about before, the middle of
- 10 Page 38, the Commission talks about sampling. And
- 11 then again on Page 40 in the paragraph that we
- 12 talked about as well in the first full paragraph,
- 13 the Commission discusses using sampling methods,
- 14 right?
- MR. ROONEY: Objection. Sampling methods that
- 16 are described, he's reviewing the excerpts here
- 17 that relate to the primary/secondary analysis, not
- 18 the requests for customer-specific information.
- 19 MR. TOWNSEND: I'd agree with that. There is no
- 20 issue there.
- 21 JUDGE SAINSOT: So noted.
- 22 BY MR. TOWNSEND:

- 1 Q. And the sampling techniques could be used
- 2 to identify the assets used to serve the entire
- 3 customer class, correct?
- 4 A. The sampling techniques that we use for the
- 5 primary/secondary analysis included taking a sample
- 6 of poles, 50 feet and under in height, and
- 7 determining by that sampling how many poles carried
- 8 only primary versus how many poles carried primary
- 9 and secondary.
- 10 And we sampled conduit, we used our
- 11 CEGIS System to determine how much secondary is in
- 12 conduit in the City of Chicago because the CEGIS
- 13 System, which is the ComEd Geographical Information
- 14 System, has secondary underground and secondary
- 15 overhead map of the City, but is not completely
- 16 mapped outside the City. So we used the
- 17 information that we had from the inside the City
- 18 and applied that to areas outside the City where we
- 19 knew we had secondary in conduit, so that was a
- 20 form of sampling that I believe we employed.
- 21 When it came to developing data for the
- 22 primary-voltage delivery class, we extracted data

- 1 from our various systems. I think in this case, it
- 2 might have been Customer Information System to
- 3 determine which customers were served using primary
- 4 meters, which measure electricity delivered at that
- 5 point at a primary-voltage and identified a subset
- 6 of 1,350 accounts that were potential
- 7 primary-voltage customers, and then we conducted
- 8 further analyses of those accounts to ensure that
- 9 they were permanent-voltage customers, so I guess
- 10 in a sense, that was a sampling technique.
- 11 Q. And the sampling was used to determine the
- 12 assets used to serve a customer class rather than
- 13 individual customers, right?
- 14 A. It was, in one sense, the sampling was used
- 15 to determine for the primary/secondary study
- 16 whether the assets were used in relation to
- 17 providing service at a secondary voltage versus
- 18 service at a primary voltage or if they were shared
- 19 assets in bulk, I guess I would say. And for the
- 20 primary voltage delivery class, it was simply --
- 21 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm sorry to interrupt, your
- 22 Honor, but I really did ask a "yes" or "no"

- 1 question. I know that the estimates for
- 2 cross-examination are meant to mean something, but
- 3 when I try to estimate those times, I anticipate
- 4 when I ask a "yes" or "no" question that I can get
- 5 a "yes" or "no" answer.
- 6 So I move to strike that answer, and I
- 7 request that the witness be directed to answer the
- 8 question that was asked.
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Rooney?
- 10 MR. ROONEY: Well, to the extent the witness can
- 11 only answer it "yes" or "no," but to the extent he
- 12 can't for reasons, he should have the opportunity
- 13 to respond.
- 14 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Alongi, please again, just try
- 15 to answer that question asked of you.
- 16 If Mr. Townsend wants you to elaborate,
- 17 believe me he'll ask you.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: You will always have a chance on
- 19 redirect.
- 20 THE WITNESS: Could you repeat the question.
- 21 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 22 Q. The sampling was used to determine the

- 1 assets used to serve a customer class, rather than
- 2 individual customers, correct?
- 3 **A.** No.
- 4 Q. The sampling was used to determine
- 5 individual circumstances, but then the individual
- 6 circumstances were used to establish rates for the
- 7 entire customer class, correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And, likewise, REACT is suggesting using
- 10 sampling techniques as part of its recommendation
- 11 for a survey of the actual facilities used to serve
- 12 the extra-large load customer plants, right?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Didn't REACT also state that it's open to
- 15 simplifying assumptions to account for information
- 16 that is not directly measurable or available?
- 17 A. I don't recall that specifically, but I
- 18 don't dispute it.
- 19 Q. Would you agree using simplifying
- 20 assumptions would mitigate the problems that you
- 21 have identified in trying to pinpoint exact
- 22 facilities to serve a particular customer?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. Did you use any simplifying assumptions in
- 3 developing the primary customer class?
- 4 A. I'm sure there were some.
- 5 Q. And, actually, we talked about some of
- 6 those in the response that you provided to Staff in
- 7 Data Request PL 3.01, I believe or, perhaps, it was
- 8 2.08, correct?
- 9 A. Without seeing the data request.
- 10 Q. Well, you actually did see the data
- 11 request. That was REACT Cross-Exhibit 24?
- 12 THE WITNESS: I don't have the exhibits marked.
- 13 MR. ROONEY: It's PL 2.08.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Do you have it, Mr. Alongi?
- 15 THE WITNESS: Yes, I have it.
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Good.
- 17 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 18 Q. ComEd did use simplifying assumptions in
- 19 setting the rates for the primary customer class,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. Well, maybe I'm confused, but this data
- 22 request asked to explain in detail how the Company

- 1 determined the cost for service for standard
- 2 service to be the same for extra-large load,
- 3 high-voltage, both above and below 10,000 kilowatts
- 4 and railroad. I guess, I'm not seeing anything
- 5 about the primary-voltage delivery class.
- 6 Q. This actually applies to your embedded
- 7 cost-of-service study, correct, your primary
- 8 position in the case, right?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And in that primary position in the case,
- 11 you made simplifying assumptions, correct?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Can you turn to your rate design rebuttal
- 14 to Page 32, Lines 27 -- 727 through 33 and let me
- 15 know when you're there.
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Page 32?
- 17 MR. TOWNSEND: Page 32.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: For the record, that's ComEd
- 19 Exhibit 73.0 Second Revised.
- 20 Do you have a lot more questions,
- 21 Mr. Townsend?
- 22 MR. TOWNSEND: Unfortunately, we still have a

- 1 little bit to go yet.
- 2 MR. ROONEY: Did you say rebuttal testimony or
- 3 surrebuttal rebuttal testimony?
- 4 MR. TOWNSEND: Rebuttal testimony.
- 5 MR. ROONEY: That's 49.0 revised, your Honor.
- 6 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 7 Q. In your rate design rebuttal -- I'm sorry,
- 8 Mr. Alongi. Do you have that yet?
- 9 **A.** Yes.
- 10 Q. In your rate design rebuttal, you discuss
- 11 the procedure that ComEd used for its determination
- 12 for the primary/secondary split, correct?
- 13 A. Yes, I would agree.
- 14 Q. And you discuss the use of CEGIS,
- 15 Geographical Information System, as well as other
- 16 map resources of ComEd, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. And in your testimony you emphasize the
- 19 accuracy of ComEd's mapping systems for
- 20 occupational engineering and employee safety,
- 21 right?
- 22 A. Right. I described the planned designed

- 1 build and map process we use at ComEd.
- 2 Q. ComEd has maps that describe all 6,400
- 3 circuits in detail, right?
- 4 A. There is a number of different types of
- 5 maps, as I understand it, yes.
- 6 Q. And ComEd's map resources include paper
- 7 maps in CEGIS that show how many phases are present
- 8 in a particular geographic primary distribution
- 9 circuit segment?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. For the same sampling of circuits, do the
- 12 ComEd map resources show which phases are present
- 13 in a particular primary distribution segment?
- 14 A. Such as Phase A, B and C?
- 15 **Q.** Yes.
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. For the same sampling circuits that ComEd
- 18 map resources show where transformers are attached
- 19 to the phases, correct?
- 20 A. Yes, that's correct.
- 21 Q. And to which phases they're attached,
- 22 right?

- 1 A. That's correct.
- 2 Q. Given any transformer identified on ComEd
- 3 maps, each transformer has a unique identification,
- 4 right?
- 5 A. I believe there's certain electric service
- 6 stations that may not have a transformer number
- 7 assigned, but they are identified by the electric
- 8 service station number, but by and large, every
- 9 transformer has a transformer number associated
- 10 with it.
- 11 Q. ComEd is able to, using its map resources,
- 12 customer information, and billing resources
- 13 identify the customer's connected to that uniquely
- 14 identified transformer, correct?
- 15 **A.** Yes.
- 16 Q. For demand metered customers, can ComEd
- 17 determine for any given transformer recently
- 18 recorded non-coincident demands of each of the
- 19 demand-metered customers?
- 20 A. We record the demand use for billing. It
- 21 may be depending on the type of meter, it may be a
- 22 recording meter where you can tell if the demand

- 1 was set in the demand peak period or whether it was
- 2 set off peak. And if it was set off peak, it's not
- 3 used for billing.
- 4 But you can determine based upon the
- 5 meter reading if it's a meter point of service what
- 6 the customer's peak demand was. I guess I'm not
- 7 sure I would describe it as a non-coincident peak
- 8 demand for an individual customer. I'm not really
- 9 sure what that means.
- 10 Q. You would be able to have for each customer
- 11 a recorded peak demand?
- 12 A. Again, depending on the type of meter there
- 13 is a demand that's registered and billed on the
- 14 account, yes.
- 15 Q. For the customers connected to the
- 16 transformer, can ComEd determine which customers
- 17 are served with which single-phase versus
- 18 three-phase meters?
- 19 A. If the meter's on their account, it's
- 20 assigned to that account, so we can certainly tell
- 21 which customers are served, yes.
- 22 Q. In fact, ComEd has already identified that

- 1 around 10 percent of the meters for the extra-large
- 2 load customer class are single-phased secondary
- 3 meters, correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. In addition ComEd has identified the single
- 6 voltages -- strike that.
- 7 ComEd has identified the service
- 8 voltages for virtually all of the meters for the
- 9 extra-large load customer class, correct?
- 10 A. Could I ask what you mean by "service
- 11 voltage"?
- 12 Q. The primary circuit voltages, ComEd has
- 13 identified the primary circuit voltages for
- 14 virtually all of the meters for the extra-large
- 15 load customer class, correct?
- 16 A. We determine the primary circuit voltages
- 17 for those customers we identified as being
- 18 potentially eligible for the primary-voltage
- 19 delivery class of which a large number were from
- 20 the extra-large load class, but many were from
- 21 other classes as well.
- 22 Q. Could ComEd ascertain which of any of those

- 1 meters are served by Rider NS-funded assets?
- 2 A. By looking at those documents that were
- 3 provided in the response to that earlier data
- 4 request for the extra-large load customers, it
- 5 would give an indication whether the assets on the
- 6 property were standard or nonstandard, but it does
- 7 not indicate whether the assets off the property
- 8 primary-voltage assets were standard or
- 9 nonstandard, so I guess the answer is no.
- 10 Sorry for the lengthy "no."
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND: I'll hand you what is being
- 12 marked as REACT Cross-Exhibit 27, which is ComEd's
- 13 response to REACT Data Request 9.01.
- 14 (Whereupon, REACT Cross-Exhibit
- No. 27 was marked for
- identification.)
- 17 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 18 Q. Have you had a chance to review that?
- 19 A. I glanced at it. I'm somewhat familiar
- 20 with it because it's relatively recent.
- 21 Q. And in Subpart C, ComEd was asked to please
- 22 fully describe in detail the process ComEd used to

- 1 assemble information that was previously provided
- 2 in REACT Data Request 8.03, Attachment 1, correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And in the answer, it states that compare
- 5 the table attached to ComEd's Data Request Response
- 6 to REACT 8.3, labeled as REACT 8.03, underscore
- 7 confidential. ComEd used a list of account numbers
- 8 for the customers taking service during 2009-test
- 9 year that was classified in the extra-large load
- 10 delivery class or in the over-10-megawatt subclass
- 11 with the high-voltage delivery class to perform a
- 12 query in the SIMS billing system to extract a list
- 13 of the transformers and the circuit numbers, the
- 14 primary circuit, that serves the meter points of
- 15 such customers.
- 16 Second, ComEd performed a query in its
- 17 CEGIS Mapping System to determine what other
- 18 circuits are interconnected with the primary
- 19 circuits to provide support service to the primary
- 20 circuits, correct?
- 21 A. That's what it says, yes.
- 22 Q. First of all, with regards to REACT 8.03

- 1 Attachment 1, does that provide a list of circuits
- 2 used to provide delivery to a customer, correct?
- 3 A. I believe there was the list of circuits
- 4 used to provide service to the extra-large load
- 5 customers, yes.
- 6 Q. Now, this answer shows that ComEd can
- 7 determine which transformers a customer's
- 8 immediately connected to, correct?
- 9 A. That would be the list of all the required
- 10 transformers on this list. It tells you nothing
- 11 about whether they're standard or nonstandard.
- 12 Nonstandard is a differential between standard and
- 13 required.
- 14 Q. And that would be true for any customer of
- 15 any customer class, right?
- 16 A. Correct.
- 17 Q. And from there, ComEd can determine which
- 18 circuits those transformers connect to, right?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. And using that information, ComEd can
- 21 access maps of those circuits, correct?
- 22 A. Correct, at whatever configuration those

- 1 circuits are at that time that we looked, yes.
- 2 Q. Now, another one of the criticisms that you
- 3 have of REACT's proposal to survey the extra-large
- 4 load over-10-megawatt customer class assets is that
- 5 analysis would be one-sided, right?
- 6 A. Right.
- 7 Q. With regards to that criticism, you stated
- 8 that a study of assets used to serve -- strike
- 9 that.
- 10 Is it fair to say that every asset that
- 11 ComEd has in its rate based is used by somebody, a
- 12 member of at least one customer class uses the
- 13 asset?
- 14 **A.** Yes.
- 15 Q. If we picked an individual class, say the
- 16 extra-large load customer class, if an asset were
- 17 not used by a member of that class, ComEd
- 18 presumably would be able to show it was used by a
- 19 member of another class, right?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. The study that REACT has proposed may find
- 22 that certain costs that are currently allocated to

- 1 the over-10-megawatt customer classes are not
- 2 related to the assets used to serve those
- 3 customers, right?
- 4 MR. ROONEY: Objection; asking the witness to
- 5 speculate as to what may or may not be found in an
- 6 analysis that is a REACT analysis, and not a ComEd
- 7 analysis.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: It's, actually, the subject of
- 9 his testimony. He talks about what the result of
- 10 this study would be.
- 11 JUDGE DOLAN: Where is that in his testimony?
- 12 Do you know offhand?
- MR. TOWNSEND: In surrebuttal, Lines 471, 482,
- 14 486, 487. I mean, that's where he's talking about
- 15 the results would be one-sided, that the results
- 16 could be that the study finds that certain assets
- 17 shouldn't be allocated to the over-10-megawatt
- 18 customer classes.
- 19 MR. ROONEY: On his surrebuttal or rebuttal
- 20 testimony?
- 21 MR. TOWNSEND: Surrebuttal on ComEd Exhibit 73.
- MR. ROONEY: I'll withdraw the objection, your

- 1 Honor.
- 2 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Alongi, you can answer it
- 3 please.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Please repeat the question
- 5 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 6 Q. So one result of the study that REACT
- 7 advocates is -- one result that could occur is that
- 8 we could find that certain costs that are currently
- 9 allocated to the over-10-megawatt customers are not
- 10 related to the assets used to serve those
- 11 customers, right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. In which case the logical conclusion would
- 14 be to exclude those costs from the over-10-megawatt
- 15 customers revenue requirement underneath that
- 16 study, right?
- 17 A. That's correct. But, again, it's one-sided
- 18 because if you look at the other customer classes,
- 19 there may be assets allocated from those classes to
- 20 the extra-large load class.
- 21 Q. Well, it's also possible that the study
- 22 will identify additional assets particularly

- 1 low-voltage assets that ComEd uses to serve the
- 2 over-10-megawatt customer classes, right?
- 3 A. That's entirely possible.
- 4 Q. In which case the logical conclusion would
- 5 be to include those costs in the over-10-megawatt
- 6 customers revenue requirement, right?
- 7 A. If you do a bottoms-up approach, that could
- 8 be the result, yes.
- 9 Q. Now, for purposes of ComEd's
- 10 primary/secondary split analysis, ComEd has
- 11 presented a study of assets used to serve the
- 12 customers that ComEd classifies as primary
- 13 customers, correct?
- 14 A. I don't know that I would characterize it
- 15 as a study of assets, but we did identify which
- 16 customers were served at primary voltages.
- 17 Q. And you allocated assets based upon that
- 18 analysis, correct?
- 19 A. Correct, we had three categories of
- 20 allocation within that analysis: Secondary, shared
- 21 and primary transformers.
- 22 Q. And ComEd has not presented a similar study

- 1 for all other classes to allocate assets, correct?
- 2 A. That study included all customers that were
- 3 served at primary-voltage, which included a number
- 4 of customers from several different classes, so I
- 5 would say no.
- 6 Q. Well, the only customer class that you've
- 7 sought to specifically identify the assets for is
- 8 the primary asset, the primary customer class,
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. Right, but we had to evaluate customers in
- 11 existing classes.
- MR. ROONEY: Your Honor, if I could, Mr. Alongi
- 13 has been on the stand for about two-and-a-quarter
- 14 hours now. I don't know if he would like a break
- 15 at this point.
- 16 THE WITNESS: No, I just want to get this over
- 17 with.
- 18 (Laugher.)
- 19 THE WITNESS: I'm fine.
- 20 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 21 Q. In this case, is it fair to say that
- 22 although ComEd presents several different embedded

- 1 cost-of-service studies it is recommending that the
- 2 Commission approve one in particular?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. However, in the alternative, if the
- 5 Commission seeks to have a separate class
- 6 designation for primary customers, ComEd has a
- 7 preferred alternative matching that description,
- 8 correct?
- 9 A. That's correct.
- 10 Q. ComEd's preferred rate design, in other
- 11 words, is the rate design based upon ComEd's
- 12 preferred embedded cost-of-service study?
- 13 A. What we call the preferred exemplar, yes.
- 14 Q. And ComEd's preferred alternative is
- 15 reflected in ComEd Exhibit 49.2; is that right?
- 16 A. The latest set -- are you talking about the
- 17 embedded cost-of-service study?
- 18 **Q.** Yes.
- 19 A. I think the preferred exemplar embedded
- 20 cost-of-service study, if I remember correctly, is
- 21 ComEd Exhibit 75.2 and the preferred exemplar rate
- 22 design that goes along with that is ComEd

- 1 Exhibit 73.2.
- 2 Q. Is it fair to say that the preferred and
- 3 alternative rate designs in ComEd Exhibit 73.1 and
- 4 73.2 are mere updates to ComEd Exhibits 49.1 and
- 5 49.2?
- 6 A. Yes. Yes, there were some modifications
- 7 made for distribution losses, if I recall. But
- 8 there may have been other changes, but minor.
- 9 Q. Is it fair to say that in the case of
- 10 either the preferred or the preferred alternative
- 11 rate design, the over-10-megawatt customers are
- 12 going to be facing big rate increases?
- 13 A. I don't agreed with that.
- 14 Q. ComEd presented a study of the impact of
- 15 its proposed rates on some customer classes, right?
- 16 A. I thought we showed impacts on all the
- 17 customer classes. But, yes, we showed impact.
- 18 Q. Well, if you turn in your direct testimony
- 19 at Lines 443 to 44. Let me know when you're there.
- 20 **A.** Okay.
- 21 Q. There you're discussing the bill impacts of
- 22 the proposed rate design, right?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you did not provide analysis of the
- 3 bill impact for the over-10-megawatt customers,
- 4 correct, in your --
- 5 A. I'm looking.
- 6 Q. Perhaps, I can help you. If you turn to
- 7 Line 489 of your direct testimony, you state that
- 8 ComEd does not generally estimate bill impacts as a
- 9 percentage of total electricity bill for the larger
- 10 nonresidential customer classes because most of
- 11 these customers are taking electric supply service
- 12 from retail electric suppliers or RESs. The price
- 13 of which are not known to ComEd because the price
- 14 of ComEd's default supply service to such customers
- 15 varies hourly, right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, ComEd could have estimated the impact
- 18 of the proposed increase in delivery services
- 19 charges on the over-10-megawatt customer classes,
- 20 right?
- 21 A. I thought -- I am looking for the total
- 22 that I thought we had the overall average set per

- 1 kilowatt hour by class. And I thought that
- 2 showed -- yes, on Table D6 on Page 23, it shows the
- 3 extra-large load class increase at that point of
- 4 the proceeding being 33.3 percent.
- 5 Q. You did not perform an impact in terms of
- 6 the actual dollar impact on the customers, how much
- 7 more money the customers would pay at the end of
- 8 the day at the bottom of the bill, did you?
- 9 A. I have done some additional analysis to
- 10 prepare for this cross-examination, yes.
- 11 Q. Have you provided that to parties?
- 12 **A.** No.
- 13 Q. You're aware that REACT Witness Fults did
- 14 calculate the customer impact of distribution rate
- 15 increases, correct?
- 16 **A.** Yes, I am.
- 17 Q. And he presented updated tables in his
- 18 rebuttal testimony, correct?
- 19 A. I believe that's where it appears, yes.
- 20 Q. Would you agree that we're talking about
- 21 increases in the amounts of hundreds of thousands
- 22 and millions of dollars to these customers on an

- 1 annual basis?
- 2 A. If you're referring to Mr. Fults' Table 1
- 3 from REACT Exhibit 4.0 in this docket --
- 4 Q. No, actually, I'm not.
- I'm just asking you whether you'd agree
- 6 that the increases for the customers in the
- 7 extra-large load customer class would be in the
- 8 hundreds of thousands or millions of dollars?
- 9 A. I would agree that it could be in the
- 10 hundreds of thousands of dollars, but I disagree it
- 11 would be in the millions of dollars.
- 12 Q. Even if those customers were moved to what
- 13 you believe is the full-cost-based rates as
- 14 reflected in ComEd's embedded cost-of-service
- 15 study? Are you suggesting that that increase would
- 16 be less than a million dollars for the largest
- 17 customers in ComEd's extra-large load customer
- 18 class?
- 19 A. I haven't done that analysis, but that's
- 20 not our proposal in this case.
- 21 Q. You don't know what that impact would be if
- 22 the full increase -- strike that.

- 1 You would agree that the increases that
- 2 ComEd is proposing are annual increases that would
- 3 remain in effect each successive year, right?
- 4 A. At least until the next rate case.
- 5 Q. When does ComEd intend to file its next
- 6 rate case?
- 7 A. I have no idea.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: I have no further questions.
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: Okay. I take it you want to take
- 10 a break and talk with your client?
- 11 MR. GOWER: I have a question. One question
- 12 before we take a break, if you want just to follow
- 13 up on the questioning done here.
- 14 MR. ROONEY: Okay.
- 15 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 16 BY
- 17 MR. GOWER:
- 18 Q. Mr. Alongi, remind me. The ComEd
- 19 distribution system, it delivers electricity at
- 20 three distinct voltages; is that correct?
- 21 A. A primary distribution system has
- 22 components that operate at 4 kV, 12 kV and 34 kV,

- 1 yes.
- 2 MR. GOWER: Thank you. That's all I have.
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: All right. We will take a break.
- 4 MR. ROONEY: Thank you.
- 5 (Whereupon, a brief
- 6 recess was taken.)
- 7 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 8 BY
- 9 MR. ROONEY:
- 10 Q. Mr. Alongi, do you recall questions from
- 11 Ms. Lusson regarding customer usage?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. Does Commonwealth Edison allocate costs
- 14 based on customer usage?
- 15 A. ComEd allocates its distribution costs
- 16 based upon demands.
- 17 Q. And why is that?
- 18 A. We build our system based upon the demands
- 19 that customers place on it.
- 20 Q. So in that instance, does the end use of
- 21 the electricity matter for purposes of allocation
- 22 of costs?

- 1 A. Only for the purpose of allocating the
- 2 Illinois electricity distribution costs.
- 3 Q. Now, Mr. Alongi, at the beginning of your
- 4 cross-examination by Mr. Townsend, you spoke about
- 5 the members of REACT.
- 6 Do you recall that?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. And pursuant to your review, how many
- 9 members of REACT, without naming names, are members
- 10 of the actual extra-large load class?
- 11 **A.** Four --
- 12 MR. TOWNSEND: Objection. This is ground that's
- 13 been tread. And I didn't object to his lengthy
- 14 response in response to that question, so I will
- 15 object.
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: What is the relevance?
- 17 MR. ROONEY: It's in the record.
- 18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yeah, he provided a pretty long
- 19 colloquy.
- 20 MR. ROONEY: All right. Then let me move on. BY
- 21 MR. ROONEY:
- 22 Q. Mr. Alongi, you were asked a number of

- 1 questions about ComEd's definition of "standard
- 2 service."
- 3 Do you recall that?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And there you testified that "standard
- 6 service definition is found in ComEd's General
- 7 Terms and Conditions; is that correct?
- 8 A. That's correct.
- 9 Q. What customers does that definition apply
- 10 to?
- 11 A. It's generally applicable, as all our
- 12 General Terms and Conditions are, it applies to all
- 13 customers of ComEd.
- 14 Q. Does that mean all customers receive the
- 15 same standard facilities in the provision of
- 16 distribution service?
- 17 **A.** No.
- 18 Q. How does ComEd determine what is standard
- 19 then on a customer basis?
- 20 A. It evaluates the load of the customer, the
- 21 location of the customer, the voltage that the
- 22 customer requires. It's very customer-specific.

- 1 Q. How does the definition of "standard
- 2 service" assist in determining what facilities are
- 3 actually used to serve that individual customer?
- 4 A. Standard facilities?
- 5 **Q.** Yes.
- 6 A. It doesn't.
- 7 Q. With regard to REACT Cross-Exhibit 25
- 8 Confidential, which is the Company's response to
- 9 the ALJ's ruling, I'm correct that that information
- 10 relates to the facilities provided pursuant to
- 11 Rider NS, correct?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. And those facilities are paid for by a
- 14 specific customer?
- 15 A. That's correct, from the point in time that
- 16 that request was made, the payment was made.
- 17 Q. And how would the use of the information,
- 18 these NS facilities identified in REACT
- 19 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential, serve to assist in
- 20 determining what standard facilities are actually
- 21 used to serve an individual customer?
- 22 I'm sorry. What facilities would be

- 1 used to serve an individual customer?
- 2 A. It has no bearing on -- the standard has no
- 3 bearing on what facilities are actually used.
- 4 Q. Mr. Alongi, you were asked a number of
- 5 questions also by Mr. Townsend regarding the
- 6 possibility of the identification of facilities
- 7 used to serve individual customers.
- 8 Do you recall those lines of questions?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Would there be any other information that
- 11 would be necessary to pursue the study that REACT
- 12 was seeking?
- 13 A. No, because this was all about cost
- 14 allocation and we have to determine the cost of
- 15 those assets.
- 16 MR. ROONEY: Thank you. No further questions.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Any recross?
- 18 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.
- 19 RECROSS EXAMINATION
- 20 BY
- 21 MR. TOWNSEND:
- 22 Q. Mr. Alongi, in responding to the questions

- 1 about the documents contained in REACT
- 2 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential, you indicated that
- 3 those documents don't indicate what standard
- 4 facilities are used to serve the customers
- 5 identified there, correct?
- 6 MR. ROONEY: Actually, I think the question was,
- 7 What facilities were used to serve the customer.
- 8 MR. TOWNSEND: I think that's what I just said.
- 9 MR. ROONEY: I think you said "standard
- 10 facilities."
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND: I think you actually did when you
- 12 first asked that question, as well.
- 13 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 14 Q. The information -- Mr. Rooney asked you
- 15 about whether the information contained in REACT
- 16 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential contains information
- 17 to assist in understanding what facilities are used
- 18 to serve individual customers?
- 19 A. Those documents show what facilities are
- 20 located on or near the customer's property. It
- 21 shows nothing about how electricity is delivered to
- 22 those points of service.

- 1 Q. Does ComEd have information with regards to
- 2 how electricity is delivered to those points of
- 3 service?
- 4 A. I think we talked about the CEGIS System
- 5 and other maps, and we may have, yes.
- 6 Q. And does ComEd have documents that reflect
- 7 both the standard facilities that are used to serve
- 8 the individual customers as well as the proposed
- 9 facilities that would be constructed underneath
- 10 Rider NS?
- 11 A. Are you talking about a request for NS
- 12 service?
- 13 Q. When a customer requests service underneath
- 14 Rider NS, there are certain documents that are
- 15 produced, correct?
- 16 A. The Rider NS contract, if the customer
- 17 agrees to pay whatever the contribution in native
- 18 construction is, if there's a nonstandard cost that
- 19 needs to be paid, there are, I would guess,
- 20 engineering documents that determine what that
- 21 payment should be. Those documents, I think, are
- 22 probably kept with the engineering folder, maybe

- 1 archived and -- you know, there is a retention
- 2 period for those kind of documents and they may no
- 3 longer exist.
- 4 Q. And one of the documents that's generated
- 5 is commonly referred to in ComEd as a Service
- 6 Estimate Request, correct?
- 7 MR. ROONEY: Objection, your Honors. This is
- 8 going beyond the scope of redirect.
- 9 Redirect simply on this point asked Mr.
- 10 Alongi to the extent whether he believed that the
- 11 information provided in this REACT Cross-Exhibit 25
- 12 would be useful in the determination of what
- 13 facilities were used to serve an individual
- 14 customer.
- MR. TOWNSEND: So this line of questioning is
- 16 saying, although, perhaps, he believes that
- 17 information is not contained in these documents,
- 18 there are documents that do contain that
- 19 information that ComEd has.
- 20 MR. ROONEY: I didn't ask him about that on
- 21 redirect, your Honor.
- 22 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sustained.

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. Does ComEd have information that it could
- 3 use to determine what facilities are used to serve
- 4 individual customers who have requested Rider NS
- 5 service?
- 6 MR. ROONEY: Objection.
- 7 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sustained.
- 8 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 9 Q. Does ComEd have any other documents related
- 10 to extra-large load customer build-outs that have
- 11 occurred underneath Rider NS?
- MR. ROONEY: Objection; beyond the scope of
- 13 redirect.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sustained.
- 15 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 16 Q. If the documents that Mr. Rooney asked you
- 17 about do not provide the information, are there
- 18 other documents that would?
- 19 MR. ROONEY: Objection.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Mr. Townsend, I think you asked
- 21 the same question about five or six times now. It's
- 22 the same question.

- 1 MR. TOWNSEND: It seems -- I'm sorry. I was
- 2 trying to tie it directly to what Mr. Rooney had
- 3 asked because that would then be within the scope
- 4 of recross.
- 5 JUDGE SAINSOT: Why don't we -- Mr. Rooney, do
- 6 you remember what you asked? I don't want to have
- 7 the court reporter go that far back.
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Certainly.
- 9 I asked Mr. Alongi whether the NS
- 10 documents that makeup the response to REACT
- 11 Cross-Exhibit 25 would be useful in the
- 12 determination of those facilities used to provide
- 13 service to individual customers.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. So now we are clear what
- 15 the question is.
- 16 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 17 Q. So the question is if these documents
- 18 aren't useful for the determination of the assets
- 19 used to serve those customers, are there other
- 20 documents that would be useful to determine the
- 21 assets that are used to serve those customers?
- 22 JUDGE SAINSOT: Right, and that's outside the

- 1 scope.
- 2 MR. ROONEY: Right.
- 3 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 4 Q. Well, what does determine what assets are
- 5 used to provide service to those customers?
- 6 MR. ROONEY: Objection.
- 7 JUDGE SAINSOT: We are going to allow it in.
- 8 THE WITNESS: I think I said it before, the
- 9 customer's load, customer's location on ComEd's
- 10 system, customer's voltage requirements.
- If the customer has any what we might
- 12 call interfering load like arc furnaces that
- 13 require additional facilities.
- 14 There is any number of different things
- 15 to look at in designing service to a customer.
- 16 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 17 Q. Would those things be reflected in any
- 18 documents that ComEd has?
- 19 MR. ROONEY: Objection.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: You know, I'll allow it, but I'm
- 21 not going to allow you to conduct discovery by
- 22 going into further detail as to what does.

- 1 Discovery is something that is supposed to be done
- 2 before trial.
- 3 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, I believe you know we
- 4 have been diligently trying to get documents from
- 5 ComEd.
- I appreciate the ruling. I believe
- 7 there is a question pending.
- 8 THE WITNESS: A customer generally provides
- 9 ComEd what we call a load letter, which includes
- 10 information about where they're located, what their
- 11 load is, what voltage they require, if they require
- 12 service at one or more points, if they have any
- 13 special equipment, and that's what starts the
- 14 process.
- 15 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 16 Q. And where does the process go from there?
- 17 A. Well, I've been out of engineering for
- 18 quite some time and there's been some
- 19 reorganization, but we have a department that's
- 20 called New Business Department. I assume they take
- 21 that information, do their field investigation of
- 22 what is available in the field and they prepare

- 1 documents as to how to construct what the customers
- 2 request. I guess, we refer to them as work orders.
- 3 If the customers -- they would calculate
- 4 -- if the request is for something that is more
- 5 than a single point of service than standard
- 6 service, they would calculate charges for the
- 7 difference between what is standard and what is
- 8 required, in that it's provided to the customer in
- 9 a customer work agreement, which the customer then
- 10 would acknowledge the cost of work to be performed
- 11 and authorize the Company to proceed.
- 12 Q. All right. Prior to the work agreement,
- 13 does ComEd generate a work request?
- 14 MR. ROONEY: Objection, your Honor. This is
- 15 going far afield of what --
- 16 MR. TOWNSEND: It fills in one section --
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: Sustained. Sustained. The time
- 18 to get that together was before trial.
- 19 MR. TOWNSEND: No further questions.
- 20 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you, Mr. Alongi.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Am I excused?
- JUDGE SAINSOT: You're excused.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 2 MR. TOWNSEND: We move for the admission of
- 3 REACT Cross-Exhibit 23, which is ComEd's response
- 4 to REACT Data Request 6.11; REACT Cross-Exhibit 24,
- 5 which is ComEd's response to Staff Data Request
- 6 PL 2.08; REACT Exhibit 25 Confidential, which is
- 7 ComEd's response to the Administrative Law Judges
- 8 on-the-Record Data Request 1 with attachments; and
- 9 REACT Cross-Examination Exhibit 26 Confidential,
- 10 which is a summary of the information contained
- 11 within REACT Exhibit 6 -- I'm sorry, REACT
- 12 Cross-Exhibit 25 Confidential and REACT
- 13 Cross-Exhibit 27, which is ComEd's response to
- 14 REACT Data Request 9.01.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: REACT Cross-Exhibits 23 through
- 16 27; is that correct?
- 17 MR. TOWNSEND: Correct.
- 18 MR. ROONEY: We object to REACT
- 19 Cross-Exhibit 26, as we discussed previously, it's
- 20 trying to improperly bring this information in
- 21 through Mr. Alongi.
- 22 Mr. Alongi testified he never saw it

- 1 before. It's part of an offer of proof that
- 2 Mr. Alongi was unaware of. And for the reasons we
- 3 argued previously, we move that that not be allowed
- 4 into evidence.
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, we believe that it
- 6 would be helpful for the record to have the summary
- 7 document for the information contained within REACT
- 8 Cross-Exhibit 25.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: There is nothing authenticating
- 10 the fact that this is even a summary document other
- 11 than your word as an officer of the court.
- MR. TOWNSEND: Actually, we do have an affidavit
- 13 that was attached to the offer of proof as
- 14 reference. We do have a witness that's generated
- 15 that document if you would like to offer that
- 16 testimony.
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: You have it in your offer of
- 18 proof, don't you?
- 19 MR. TOWNSEND: It is.
- 20 JUDGE SAINSOT: That's probably a good place.
- 21 Sustained.
- JUDGE DOLAN: So, no objection to 23, 24, 25 and

- 1 27?
- 2 MR. ROONEY: That's correct, your Honor.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay. Hearing none, REACT
- 4 Exhibits 23 through 27 except -- these are all
- 5 Cross-Exhibits, REACT Cross-Exhibit 25 are admitted
- 6 into evidence.
- 7 JUDGE DOLAN: No, no, no. 26.
- 8 JUDGE SAINSOT: I'm looking at 26 and I say 25.
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: 25 remains confidential?
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: Right.
- 11 (Whereupon, REACT Cross-Exhibit
- 12 Nos. 23, 24, 25 and 27 were
- admitted into evidence.)
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: ComEd, you want to call your
- 15 next witness please.
- 16 MR. ROONEY: Our next witness, your Honor, is
- 17 Mr. Robert Garcia.
- JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Balough, are your ready to go?
- 19 MR. BALOUGH: Your Honors, at this time on
- 20 behalf of the CTA, I have several exhibits.
- 21 The first one is -- I'll give them by
- 22 witness. The first is the testimony of James

- 1 Harper, his direct testimony is marked CTA Exhibit
- 2 1.0 with Exhibits 1.01, 1.02 and 1.03.
- 3 His rebuttal testimony is marked CTA
- 4 Exhibit 4.0. He has attached Exhibit CTA 4.01,
- 5 4.02, 4.03 and 4.04, and there is a confidential
- 6 version of CTA 4.03, and CTA Exhibit 5.0, which is
- 7 his affidavit.
- 8 I also have --
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: Before you go any further, I'm
- 10 looking at 4.0 is confidential?
- 11 MR. BALOUGH: Yes.
- 12 JUDGE DOLAN: 03 and 04 are both confidential.
- MR. BALOUGH: I believe just 4.03 is
- 14 confidential.
- 15 JUDGE DOLAN: You have confidential on 03.
- 16 MR. RIPPIE: Which witness is this?
- MR. BALOUGH: Harper.
- This one is not confidential.
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay.
- MR. BALOUGH: 4.03 is the one that's
- 21 confidential.
- 22 JUDGE SAINSOT: Is that marked confidential?

- 1 MR. BALOUGH: It should be, yes.
- 2 MR. BALOUGH: Then the next group is the
- 3 testimony of Emily Ziring, CTA direct 2.0 along
- 4 with CTA 2.01. Her affidavit is marked CTA Exhibit
- 5 6.0.
- 6 Then Amy Kovalan. Her direct testimony
- 7 is CTA Exhibit 3.0 with one Exhibit 3.01. And her
- 8 affidavit CTA 7.0.
- 9 Your Honors, those are the exhibits for
- 10 the CTA. I would offer those exhibits. I
- 11 understand they're not opposed?
- MR. RIPPIE: As long as Mr. Balough can say
- 13 their names three times fast, we have no objection.
- MR. BALOUGH: Harper, Harper, Harper.
- 15 MR. RIPPIE: The other ones.
- MR. BALOUGH: Kovalan, Kovalan, Kovalan.
- 17 Ziring, Ziring, Ziring.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: See, this is what happens when
- 19 you have long trials. Better that than the other
- 20 thing that happens.
- 21 Just for the record, because I'm a
- 22 little tired, CTA Exhibit 4.04 is not confidential;

- 1 is that correct?
- 2 MR. BALOUGH: That's correct.
- 3 JUDGE DOLAN: No objection then, I take it, on
- 4 that?
- 5 (No response.)
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: Then CTA Exhibit 1.0, 2.0, 3.0,
- 7 4.0 along with 4.1 and 2 Attachments, right, then
- 8 4.3 is confidential?
- 9 MR. BALOUGH: That's correct.
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: And 4.04 is not confidential,
- 11 along with their affidavit, they will be admitted
- 12 into the record.
- 13 (Whereupon, CTA Cross-Exhibit
- No. 1.0, 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 4.1 and
- 4.3 (Confidential) 4.04 with
- 16 attachments were admitted into
- 17 evidence.)
- 18 MR. BALOUGH: Thank you.
- 19 Then we also have our joint testimony of
- 20 James Bachman and that has been marked CTA/Metra
- 21 joint Exhibit 1.0 which is his direct. And
- 22 attached to that are CTA/Metra joint Exhibits 1.01

- 1 to 1.08. His rebuttal testimony is marked CTA Metra
- 2 Joint Exhibit 2.0. And with that we have Exhibits
- 3 2.01 through 2.25, of which CTA/Metra Joint
- 4 Exhibit 2.02 there is a confidential version. His
- 5 affidavit is CTA/Metra Joint Exhibit 3.0. We would
- 6 offer those exhibits.
- 7 JUDGE SAINSOT: Any objection?
- 8 (No response.)
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: All right. Hearing no
- 10 objection, your motion is granted.
- 11 And CTA/Metra Exhibit 1.0, 1.01 through
- 12 1.08, 2.0, 2.01 through 2.05 and the confidential
- 13 version of 2.02 and 3.0, which all concern Mr.
- 14 Bachman are entered into evidence.
- MR. BALOUGH: Thank you, your Honor.
- 16 (Whereupon, CTA/Metra Joint
- 17 Exhibit Nos. 1.0, 1.1 and 1.08,
- 18 2.0, 2.01 through 2.05, 2.02 and
- 19 3.0 were admitted into evidence.)
- 20 MR. RIPPIE: We have all of ours, too, with the
- 21 exception of one which we are still heavily engaged
- 22 in discussions. You want to do that tomorrow? Is

- 1 that better?
- JUDGE DOLAN: (Shaking head up and down.)
- 3 MR. RIPPIE: Fair enough. Thank you.
- 4 (Witness sworn.)
- 5 ROBERT GARCIA,
- 6 called as a witness herein, having been first duly
- 7 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:
- 8 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 9 BY
- 10 MR. ROONEY:
- 11 Q. Mr. Garcia, do you have before you four
- 12 different pieces of testimony, your direct
- 13 testimony identified as ComEd Exhibit 23, with
- 14 attached Exhibit 23.1 revised and 23.2, your
- 15 supplemental direct identified as ComEd Exhibit
- 16 24.0 with attached Exhibit 24.1 revised, your rate
- 17 design rebuttal testimony identified as ComEd
- 18 Exhibit 50 with attached Exhibits 50.1 through
- 19 50.4, and your rate design surrebuttal testimony
- 20 identified as ComEd Exhibit 74.0 revised along with
- 21 Attachments 74.1 through 74.3.
- 22 A. I do.

- 1 Q. And those pieces of testimony were prepared
- 2 by you or under your direction?
- 3 A. They were.
- 4 MR. ROONEY: Your Honors, at this point, I would
- 5 move for the admission of the identified exhibits,
- 6 the direct testimony, supplemental direct, the rate
- 7 design rebuttal testimony and rate design
- 8 surrebuttal testimony of Mr. Robert Garcia.
- 9 JUDGE DOLAN: Any objections?
- 10 (No response.)
- JUDGE DOLAN: Hearing none, ComEd Exhibit 23.0,
- 12 23.1 revised and ComEd Exhibit 23.2 will be
- 13 admitted into the record. ComEd Exhibit 24.0,
- 14 along with ComEd Exhibit 24.1 revised, and ComEd
- 15 Exhibit 50.0 through 50.4 will be admitted into the
- 16 record and ComEd Exhibit 74.0 revised, along with
- 17 74.1 through 74.3 will be admitted into the record.
- 18 MR. ROONEY: Thank you, your Honor.
- 19 Mr. Garcia is available for
- 20 cross-examination.

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- 1 (Whereupon, ComEd Exhibit
- No. 23.0, 23.1, 23.2, 24.0,
- 3 24.1, 50.0, 50.4, 74.0 and
- 4 74.1 through 74.3 were
- 5 admitted into evidence.)
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Robertson?
- 7 MR. ROBERTSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 8 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 9 BY
- 10 MR. ROBERTSON
- 11 Q. Mr. Garcia, I have hopefully five quick
- 12 questions for you.
- 13 It is my understanding that the
- 14 allocation factors used in ComEd's proposed rates
- 15 are based on your analysis that is presented in
- 16 ComEd's surrebuttal Exhibit 74.1; is that correct?
- 17 A. Analyses prepared under my direction, yes.
- 18 Q. And I think I said ComEd's proposed rates,
- 19 that was included in the cost-of-service study,
- 20 75.1?
- 21 A. There were multiple versions incorporated
- 22 in multiple exhibits, but yes.

- 1 Q. Your surrebuttal testimony includes
- 2 Exhibits 74.1?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. And the Company presented --
- 5 JUDGE DOLAN: -- Mr. Garcia please speak up and
- 6 into the microphone please.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Sorry.
- 8 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 9 Q. The Company presented a cost-of-service
- 10 study in Surrebuttal 75.1; is that correct?
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. And the 75.1 is the study that the Company
- 13 is currently proposing be used for rates in this
- 14 case; is that correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. Now, so if I looked at Exhibit 75.1,
- 17 the weather normalized values for, quote, "CP-ALL"
- 18 and "NCP," I don't want to get this mixed up --
- 19 "less than 69 kV" are taken from your surrebuttal,
- 20 Exhibit 74.1; would that be correct?
- 21 **A.** Yes.
- 22 Q. Now, you adjusted the CP and NCP values

- 1 shows in ComEd Surrebuttal Exhibit 74.1 to reflect
- 2 revised loss factors; is that correct?
- 3 A. Yes, correct.
- 4 Q. Did you make any other adjustments to the
- 5 loads shown in ComEd Surrebuttal Exhibit 74.1?
- 6 A. Adjustments based on what, relative to
- 7 what?
- 8 Q. Well, relative to the allocation factors
- 9 that you presented in your rebuttal testimony?
- 10 **A.** No.
- 11 Q. Do the allocation factors shown in ComEd
- 12 Exhibit Surrebuttal Exhibit 74.1 reflect a
- 13 differentiation in loads delivered to customers at
- 14 primary voltages from loads delivered at secondary
- 15 voltages?
- 16 A. You mean do the external allocation factors
- 17 recognize the differentiation?
- 18 **Q.** Yes.
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Can you look at Exhibit 74 -- does Exhibit
- 21 74.3 make such a differentiation?
- 22 A. I'm sorry. It's been a while since you

- 1 posed that question.
- 2 Q. Do the allocation factors shown in ComEd
- 3 Exhibit Surrebuttal Exhibit 74.3 reflect the
- 4 differentiation in the loads delivered to customers
- 5 at primary voltages from the loads delivered at
- 6 secondary voltages?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Can you show me where it does that on the
- 9 exhibit?
- 10 A. 74.3, the CP and NCP calculations reflected
- 11 in 74.3 reflect that differentiation. Primary
- 12 versus secondary, they're separate CP and NCP
- 13 calculations included.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Where does it say that,
- 15 Mr. Garcia? I can't find it.
- 16 THE WITNESS: On 74.3, go down, it's at the
- 17 bottom. You'll see the breakout of the classes and
- 18 the secondary and primary. Those are voltage-base
- 19 distinctions.
- 20 BY MR. ROBERTSON:
- 21 Q. You're talking about where it shows the
- 22 small load, medium load, very large load,

- 1 extra-large load, high voltage and low voltage over
- 2 10,000 feet?
- 3 A. Yes. I see secondary and primary.
- 4 Q. At the bottom of the table?
- 5 **A.** Yes.
- 6 Q. And where does it do that on 74.2?
- 7 **A.** .2?
- 8 Q. Auh-huh.
- 9 A. Same place. Just looking at 74.2, Page 1,
- 10 the bottom of that table has a very similar
- 11 breakout, except it's not by demand. It's a simple
- 12 primary over and under ten with secondary and
- 13 primary and primary transformation broken out.
- 14 Q. And that's how you would traditionally show
- 15 the breakout?
- 16 A. I don't know what you mean by
- 17 "traditionally show the breakout." This is the
- 18 first time, I believe, we reflected such a
- 19 breakout.
- 20 Q. That's how you've shown it on these two
- 21 exhibits?
- 22 A. That's how it's differentiated on these two

- 1 exhibits.
- 2 Q. Okay. I don't see that on 74.1 anywhere.
- 3 A. Oh, in 74.1, it would be a different
- 4 illustration. If you look at Page 2 of 2, their
- 5 assumption with respect to the NCP -- on Page 74.1
- 6 Page 2 of 2 the NCP-sec, S-E-C, reflects the
- 7 assumption that there is no secondary associated
- 8 with customers over 400 kW demand.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: So this column here,
- 10 Mr. Garcia, second from the right?
- 11 THE WITNESS: It will be Column C equals 1 minus
- 12 B. There are zeros there. There is also zeros for
- 13 high voltage that reflects some of the
- 14 differentiation.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: Just for the record,
- 16 Mr. Garcia, what does "SEC" stand for?
- 17 THE WITNESS: "Secondary."
- 18 MR. ROBERTSON: I have no further questions.
- 19 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.

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- 1 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 2 BY
- 3 MR. GOWER:
- 4 Q. Mr. Garcia, my name is Ed Gower. I
- 5 represent Metra in this case.
- 6 A. Hello, Mr. Gower.
- 7 O. Hello.
- 8 Mr. Garcia, would you please describe
- 9 the components of the AMI pilot project, whose cost
- 10 ComEd is proposing to allocate to delivery classes
- 11 in this case based on the AMI Pilot Meter Cost
- 12 Factor?
- 13 A. Those are based on the cost factor?
- 14 **Q.** Yes.
- 15 A. It's the cost of the meters. The factor is
- 16 based on the cost of the meters.
- 17 Q. Are those the only costs that you propose
- 18 to allocate in this case?
- 19 A. The costs that's used to allocate, I
- 20 believe, are reflected in the exhibit by Ms.
- 21 Houtsma, the numbers of which I don't recall. I
- 22 can pull those for you. They're in my testimony.

- 1 Q. I'm not interested in the numbers as I am
- 2 in a substantive description of what is included in
- 3 those costs.
- 4 A. My understanding, subject to confirmation,
- 5 perhaps by Ms. Houtsma, is that it is for the
- 6 metering system of those installed.
- 7 Q. Is any part of the customer application
- 8 study included in the costs you're seeking to
- 9 recover here?
- 10 A. No, not to my knowledge.
- 11 Q. There were \$7 million in expenses.
- Do you know what those expenses were
- 13 for?
- 14 A. The \$7 million referred to? What are you
- 15 referring to? I'm sorry.
- 16 Q. I just remember seeing that the meters were
- 17 roughly \$44 million, and then there was \$7 million
- 18 in expenses, and I was wondering regardless whether
- 19 it's 7 million, 2 million or 1 million.
- 20 Do you know what those expenses are
- 21 comprised of that you're seeking to be allocated?
- 22 A. I'm not 100 percent sure I'm recalling what

- 1 \$7 million you're referring to. I believe there
- 2 was some expenses in the schedules that Ms. Houtsma
- 3 prepared, but I don't recall off the top of my
- 4 head.
- 5 Q. All right. Now, the AMI Pilot Meter Cost
- 6 Factor is the factor that you use to allocate the
- 7 cost of the meters; is that correct?
- 8 **A.** Yes.
- 9 Q. That AMI Pilot Meter Cost Factor was
- 10 calculated based on the ratio that the cost of the
- 11 AMI meters installed for a particular delivery
- 12 class bore to the cost of all AMI meters that were
- 13 purchased and installed by ComEd for all classes,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. Can you repeat that last part. You kind of
- 16 lost me.
- 17 Q. Well, rather than lead you through it, why
- 18 don't you just tell me how you calculated the AMI
- 19 Pilot Meter Cost Factor?
- 20 A. It's a simple ratio of the expenses for the
- 21 meters installed in the classes. It's a very
- 22 simplistic essence.

- 1 Q. The ratio of the meter cost for a
- 2 particular class that that cost bears for the
- 3 entire meter cost, correct?
- 4 A. I'm sorry. I, once again, lost you in that
- 5 brief clarification there.
- 6 Q. Assume that the meter cost was \$44 million.
- 7 If you were allocating costs to the railroad class,
- 8 you took the cost of the meters for the railroad
- 9 class and divided that by the total cost to arrive
- 10 at the ratio of the cost you allocate to the
- 11 railroad class, correct?
- 12 A. Yeah, I believe, if I'm following
- 13 correctly, it was allocated based on the essence of
- 14 the ratio of the cost of the meters installed in
- 15 each class. From the case of CTA/Metra, it was
- 16 based on the six meters installed there.
- 17 Q. The cost factor you developed for the
- 18 railroad case was based on the installation of six
- 19 meters for railroad class facilities, correct?
- 20 **A.** Right.
- 21 Q. And those are the same six meters that
- 22 ComEd identified that it intended to install for

- 1 the railroad class in the AMI Pilot Project Rider
- 2 Proceeding, which was Docket 09-0263; is that
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. I don't recall what was said about the
- 5 intention to install for CTA in that order, but
- 6 subject to check.
- 7 Q. Well --
- 8 A. It said what it said.
- 9 Q. I can show you part of the order, if that
- 10 would help.
- 11 Have you read the order in that case?
- 12 **A.** Yes, I did.
- MR. GOWER: May I approach, your Honor?
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes.
- MR. GOWER: It's a copy of the order in 09-0263.
- 16 I would rather mark it as a Cross-Exhibit but I
- 17 don't have to, it's up to you.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: Are you going to enter it into
- 19 evidence?
- MR. GOWER: No.
- 21 JUDGE SAINSOT: Then that's okay. We will speed
- 22 things up a little bit.

- 1 JUDGE SAINSOT: I have a quick question while
- 2 you're getting ready there, Counsel.
- 3 Were there actually six meters that were
- 4 installed to the railroad?
- 5 THE WITNESS: You mean are they actually in
- 6 service right now?
- 7 JUDGE SAINSOT: Or were they ever in service.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Yes, as of -- when did I point that
- 9 out -- I think it was rebuttal testimony. I think
- 10 those meters had been installed more or less within
- 11 that time frame.
- 12 JUDGE SAINSOT: Thank you.
- 13 BY MR. GOWER:
- 14 Q. I just handed you an excerpt from the final
- 15 order in Docket No. 09-0263. It's the cover page
- 16 of the final order, and then it's Pages 37 through
- 17 44 of the order.
- 18 If you would look at Page 39, there is a
- 19 reference in the second to full paragraph there.
- 20 It says: "However, Dr. Hemphill testified that
- 21 pursuant to the pilot program here, the railroad
- 22 class would receive only six of the 141,000 AMI

- 1 meters."
- 2 Do you see that?
- 3 A. So it's Page 39, what paragraph?
- 4 Q. Page 39, the second full paragraph, the
- 5 second sentence.
- 6 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 7 Q. So would you agree with me that the
- 8 Commission knew when it entered the order in
- 9 09-0263 that there were six meters to be installed
- 10 in the railroad class facilities?
- 11 A. I would submit that the inclusion of that
- 12 statement in the order would seem to suggest they
- 13 were cognizant of the fact that we intended to
- 14 install six meters, yes.
- 15 Q. And are you aware that the Metra and CTA
- 16 witnesses testified in the AMI Pilot Project case,
- 17 that is Docket 09-0263, that the CTA and Metra did
- 18 not want and would not use AMI meters because they
- 19 both already had a supervisory control and data
- 20 acquisition system that they purchased, and that it
- 21 was operating and already produced the required
- 22 information?

- 1 MR. RIPPIE: If you'll forgive me again.
- 2 MR. GOWER: Your Honor, if I could --
- 3 MR. RIPPIE: That's okay. I can take the time to
- 4 whisper into Mr. Rooney's ear and then he can make
- 5 the objection because I was the lawyer involved
- 6 with 09-0263 and he wasn't.
- 7 The point is --
- 8 MR. GOWER: I want one Commonwealth Edison
- 9 lawyer objecting. I don't care who it is, but I
- 10 don't really want it to get tacky. I don't think
- 11 that's unreasonable.
- MR. ROONEY: Mr. Gower, are you offering that
- 13 statement for the witness' knowledge or are you
- 14 making assertions with regard to?
- MR. GOWER: I asked him if he is aware. I said
- 16 "correct." I'm asking him is he aware of that.
- 17 THE WITNESS: From the proceeding in 09-0263, I
- 18 have general recollection of an objection being
- 19 entered by CTA to the imposition of the costs of
- 20 the pilot.
- 21 I don't recall with any specificity what
- 22 any of their witnesses said as to the benefits of

- 1 wanting or not wanting as you put it, the meter. I
- 2 don't recall that dimension of it, just not wanting
- 3 to pay for it.
- 4 BY MR. GOWER:
- 5 Q. If you would please, why don't you start
- 6 reading on the bottom of Page 38, and then continue
- 7 on to Page 39 and see if that refreshes your
- 8 recollection as to testimony that may have been
- 9 offered in that case.
- 10 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, what are you talking
- 11 about, the last paragraph, "he further stated"?
- 12 MR. GOWER: Yes, it actually starts in the --
- 13 yes, started with "he further stated."
- 14 THE WITNESS: Auh-huh, just the bottom
- 15 paragraph?
- 16 BY MR. GOWER:
- 17 Q. Then skip the next paragraph and read the
- 18 next paragraph about pay the system.
- 19 Have you had an opportunity to read that
- 20 paragraph, as well?
- 21 **A.** Yes, sir.
- 22 Q. Then can you skip down to the last sentence

- 1 of the next paragraph that starts "The CTA
- 2 concluded that the AMI devices."
- 3 JUDGE SAINSOT: Where is that?
- 4 MR. GOWER: The next paragraph, the third full
- 5 paragraph on Page 39.
- 6 JUDGE SAINSOT: Okay.
- 7 MR. GOWER: It says: "The CTA and Metra also
- 8 pointed out." And I'm directing your attention to
- 9 the last sentence of that paragraph which starts,
- 10 "The CTA concluded."
- 11 JUDGE DOLAN: The second to last.
- MR. GOWER: You're right. Second to the last
- 13 and ultimate, as they say.
- 14 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 15 BY MR. GOWER:
- 16 Q. Does that refresh your recollection as to
- 17 the testimony that the CTA and Metra witnesses may
- 18 have offered in Case No. 09-0263 concerning the
- 19 fact that Metra and the CTA did not want and would
- 20 not use the AMI meters?
- 21 A. I don't know if I have a recollection of
- 22 anything beyond that, yeah. I think I have an

- 1 understanding of what that language says.
- 2 Q. Did you read this order prior to making the
- 3 determination that the CTA and Metra should be
- 4 allocated the cost of AMI pilot project meters?
- 5 A. I didn't read it in its entirety. I would
- 6 have read the conclusion section because that would
- 7 have been the relative guidance.
- 8 Q. Did you read the conclusion section with
- 9 respect to Metra and CTA in that order?
- 10 A. Yes, sir. It's reflected in my testimony.
- 11 Q. In fact, in Docket -- at Page 43 of that
- 12 order, the Commission directed that the railroad
- 13 class should not be included in any rider recovery
- 14 for the AMI pilot project; isn't that correct?
- 15 A. That's what I acknowledge in my testimony,
- 16 yes.
- 17 Q. And, in fact, the Commission said that:
- 18 "With regard to imposing the cost
- of this pilot program upon the
- 20 railroad class, (the CTA/Metra), this
- 21 Commission has previously rejected
- 22 a position of those costs in rate cases

- 1 upon the railroad class.
- 2 "As the CTA and Metra notes, the
- 3 railroads already have systems in place
- 4 that equate to or are, indeed, superior
- 5 to the ones that will be included in the
- 6 pilot program here, and this pilot program
- 7 concerns primarily residential customers
- 8 with some small businesses also being
- 9 tested.
- 10 "Imposing the costs of this pilot
- 11 program upon the CTA and Metra when
- they're not cost-causers is unfair.
- 13 Additionally, imposing more costs upon
- 14 these two entities runs counter to this
- 15 Commission's policy of encouraging the
- 16 use of public transportation for
- environmental reasons; therefore, the
- 18 railroad class shall not be included in
- any rider recovery for the cost of the
- 20 project that is the subject of this
- 21 docket."
- 22 Then it goes on to say:

- 1 "We are not basing this
- 2 conclusion solely upon what was done
- in previous ComEd rate cases, rather we
- 4 are recognizing this Commission's
- 5 general policy of encouraging public
- 6 transportation for environmental reasons
- 7 and a myriad of other public policy
- 8 reasons; such as, the fact that imposing
- 9 costs on public transportation providers
- 10 can limit this provider's ability to
- 11 provide this transportation."
- 12 Have I correctly read the first two
- 13 paragraphs under the caption "Commission Analysis
- 14 and Conclusion"?
- MR. ROONEY: Objection, your Honor. The order
- 16 speaks to itself.
- 17 MR. GOWER: I'm leading into my next question.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yeah, it's foundation.
- 19 Overruled.
- 20 THE WITNESS: I wasn't paying attention closely
- 21 enough along to see if you read it verbatim, but
- 22 I'll take your word that you did.

- 1 BY MR. GOWER:
- 2 Q. Did you read the first two paragraphs of
- 3 the language on Page 43 under the heading
- 4 "Commission Analysis and Conclusion" before you
- 5 made the decision to assess costs to the railroad
- 6 class for the cost of AMI pilot project meters?
- 7 A. Let me clarify, I did not make a decision
- 8 to. Secondly, yes, as I mentioned before, I did
- 9 read the Commission's conclusion section in its
- 10 entirety.
- 11 Q. Who made the decision then to try to tag
- 12 the railroad class for the cost of the AMI pilot
- 13 project meters?
- 14 A. It was a recommendation that was reflected
- 15 in -- I think, my testimony.
- 16 Q. It was a recommendation from whom? I asked
- 17 you -- did you make the decision to include the --
- 18 to assess the railroad class for a portion of the
- 19 cost of AMI pilot project meters?
- 20 A. I don't have authority in my current
- 21 position to make a decision, per se, on behalf of
- 22 the Company.

- 1 Q. Okay. Then can you answer my question.
- 2 A. I can only give a recommendation. Yeah,
- 3 the recommendation came from my staff and me.
- 4 Q. You made a recommendation that the railroad
- 5 class should be assessed the costs for the AMI
- 6 pilot project meters?
- 7 A. I made a recommendation there was ambiguity
- 8 as to what the order was directing in terms of
- 9 long-term recovery beyond the Rider.
- 10 Q. And did you also recommend that the
- 11 railroad class be assessed a portion of the cost
- 12 for the AMI pilot project meters?
- 13 A. Yes, that's what I just said.
- 14 Q. Was that recommendation adopted and
- 15 accepted?
- 16 A. It's reflected in my testimony, yes.
- 17 Q. If I ask you a question and it's a "yes" or
- 18 "no" question, I would appreciate a "yes" or "no"
- 19 answer.
- 20 Now, knowing that Metra and the CTA have
- 21 testified that they didn't want and would not use
- 22 any AMI meters and that the Commission had directed

- 1 that ComEd could not use the AMI rider to recover
- 2 the cost of those meters, Commonwealth Edison
- 3 nevertheless installed six AMI meters for the
- 4 railroad class, and you're now seeking to recover
- 5 those costs in this proceeding; is that correct?
- 6 A. I'm not sure I understand the relevance of
- 7 the first two points. We were not directed, as I
- 8 noted in my testimony, not to install those meters
- 9 as part of the pilot.
- 10 Q. Sir, I just asked -- let me break it down
- 11 for you in case you didn't understand.
- 12 JUDGE SAINSOT: Hold on.
- Mr. Garcia, you're amply represented
- 14 there. Relevance is for your distinguished counsel
- 15 over there on my right.
- So go ahead.
- 17 BY MR. GOWER:
- 18 Q. If you like, I will just repeat the
- 19 question.
- 20 **A.** Okay.
- 21 Q. I said: Now, knowing that Metra and the
- 22 CTA testified they did not want and would not use

- 1 any AMI meters and that the Commission had directed
- 2 that ComEd could not use the AMI rider to recover
- 3 AMI pilot project meter costs, ComEd nevertheless
- 4 installed six AMI meters for the railroad class and
- 5 is now seeking to recover those costs in this
- 6 proceeding; is that correct?
- 7 **A.** Yes.
- 8 Q. Now, in your surrebuttal testimony at
- 9 page -- it's ComEd Exhibit 74.0 at Page 5.
- 10 Let me know when you're there.
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. At Lines 106 through 111, you were asked
- 13 the following question and gave the following
- 14 answer:
- 15 "Question: Does it seem odd
- to you that CTA and Metra has
- 17 committed the resources they have
- 18 addressing this \$1,212 issue in
- 19 testimony"?
- 20 And your answer was:
- "Yes and no. While the expense of
- 22 litigating this issue in this case like -- "

- 1 MR. ROONEY: Objection, your Honor. The
- 2 testimony is there. It speaks for itself. We
- 3 already heard about half of the order in the AMI
- 4 docket.
- 5 MR. GOWER: Your Honor, I'm going to ask him
- 6 questions about this testimony. I want it fresh in
- 7 his mind and if he wants to just read it, that's
- 8 fine with me, too. I don't care.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: Overruled.
- 10 MR. GOWER: I'm going to ask him specific
- 11 questions about what he testified about.
- 12 If I may continue: Your answer was:
- "Yes or no. While the expense of
- 14 litigating this issue in this case likely
- 15 will rival the cost allocated to CTA and
- 16 Metra, I suspect the real issue here
- 17 concerns the precedent that may be set
- 18 with respect to future recovery of full
- scale, smart grid and AMI implementation
- 20 costs."
- 21 Do you see that testimony?
- 22 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. I do.

- 1 BY MR. GOWER:
- 2 Q. Now, the recovery of full scale, smart grid
- 3 and AMI implementation are not at issue in this
- 4 proceeding, are they, Mr. Garcia?
- 5 A. Not directly, no.
- 6 Q. And you never -- did you ever talk to
- 7 anybody at Metra about Metra's motivation in
- 8 opposing ComEd's effort to stick Metra with the
- 9 cost of the AMI meters?
- 10 MR. ROONEY: Objection; characterization.
- 11 JUDGE DOLAN: Just rephrase the question.
- 12 BY MR. GOWER:
- 13 Q. You never talked to anybody at Metra about
- 14 Metra's motivation in opposing ComEd's effort to
- 15 make Metra pay for the cost of meters it testified
- 16 it neither wanted nor needed, did you?
- 17 A. No, I haven't spoken to anyone at Metra
- 18 before.
- 19 Q. You never talked to me about why Metra was
- 20 opposing ComEd's attempts to have Metra pay for the
- 21 cost of AMI meters that Metra witnesses testified
- 22 they neither wanted nor needed, did you, Mr.

- 1 Garcia?
- 2 A. I never spoke to who?
- 3 Q. Me. You never talked to counsel for Metra
- 4 about why Metra was taking the position it took in
- 5 this proceeding, did you?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. Did it ever occur to you, Mr. Garcia, that
- 8 Metra might be opposed to ComEd's efforts to make
- 9 Metra pay for the cost of AMI meters and related
- 10 expenses out of principle because Metra had just
- 11 participated in a full-blown evidentiary case at
- 12 the conclusion of which Metra pointed to the
- 13 Commission, that very clearly agreed, Metra had no
- 14 responsibility for any of the AMI pilot meter
- 15 costs?
- 16 A. Principle?
- 17 Q. Yes, principle?
- 18 A. Yes, the thought crossed my mind it might
- 19 have been an argument on principle.
- 20 Q. That didn't find its way to your testimony,
- 21 did it?
- 22 A. No, that's not the point of that testimony.

- 1 Q. Mr. Garcia, did it ever occur to you that
- 2 the railroad class might be making an example out
- 3 of ComEd's efforts to make Metra pay for the cost
- 4 of AMI pilot project meters because Metra doesn't
- 5 believe it should have to diligently track every
- 6 step ComEd takes in order to ensure that ComEd
- 7 complies with prior Commission final orders?
- 8 A. I'm sorry. Can you restate that. That was
- 9 a long question.
- 10 Q. Did it ever occur to you that the reason
- 11 that Metra has made an issue out of the effort to
- 12 make them pay for the cost of the AMI pilot project
- 13 meters is because Metra doesn't want in the future
- 14 to have to dog Commonwealth Edison's steps to make
- 15 sure that it complies with prior Commission orders?
- 16 A. That is exactly what my thought was.
- 17 Your question illustrates the point of
- 18 my testimony, is that you're looking at the
- 19 implications for the longer-run cost-recovery issue
- 20 here. You don't want to be having to constantly --
- 21 MR. GOWER: I move to strike that answer as
- 22 nonresponsive. I didn't ask about speculation

- 1 about our strategy. I asked him whether he thought
- 2 that that ever occurred to him, that one of the
- 3 reasons that Metra was opposing Commonwealth
- 4 Edison's efforts to make Metra pay for the cost of
- 5 AMI pilot project meters was because Metra did not
- 6 want in the future to have to follow everything
- 7 Commonwealth Edison does to make sure it complies
- 8 with prior Commission orders.
- 9 MR. ROONEY: If I may respond, Mr. Gower's
- 10 question asked the witness to speculate. He gave a
- 11 response that was completely responsive to the
- 12 question.
- 13 MR. GOWER: I asked him if the thought ever
- 14 crossed his mind before he prepared testimony
- 15 speculating about what Metra motives were.
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Well, I agree you did ask him to
- 17 speculate, but he went beyond what you asked him to
- 18 speculate about. So you kind of opened the door.
- But in the future, Mr. Garcia, just
- 20 answer the question.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 22 BY MR. GOWER:

- 1 Q. Well, let me ask it a different way,
- 2 Mr. Garcia, when you prepared your testimony, did
- 3 it occur to you that Metra was opposing the effort
- 4 to make Metra pay for the cost of AMI pilot project
- 5 meters because Metra believed that Commonwealth
- 6 Edison failed to comply with the prior Commission
- 7 order?
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Objection; asked and answered.
- 9 JUDGE SAINSOT: No, that wasn't asked and
- 10 answered.
- 11 You can answer.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Yes, it crossed my mind.
- MR. GOWER: Okay. That's all I have.
- 14 Thank you.
- 15 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 16 BY
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT:
- 18 Q. I just have one question for you,
- 19 Mr. Garcia. This is just because I'm unclear.
- 20 You know, I know this because my
- 21 neighbors ask me about this all the time, the
- 22 little AMI charge on the ComEd bill, they ask me

- 1 about that. It's a \$5 dollar charge a month. And,
- 2 of course, I have to tell them I'm responsible for
- 3 that charge.
- 4 JUDGE DOLAN: The Commission.
- 5 BY JUDGE SAINSOT:
- 6 Q. But I had something to do with it.
- 7 I'm just curious why there was -- the
- 8 testimony is that six meters were installed and the
- 9 railroads got billed for the six meters. The rest
- 10 of us got a small percentage of the total cost.
- 11 Why were the railroads singled out like
- 12 that?
- 13 A. I think I'll respond by focusing on your
- 14 characterization that they got billed. They have
- 15 not gotten billed for anything under Rider A and P.
- 16 That was the directive that ComEd acknowledged as
- 17 clear in the order 09-0263.
- 18 My point is now that we are looking at
- 19 it in terms of rolling these assets as the rider
- 20 requires it be rolled into the rate base in this
- 21 case that another decision has to be made as to who
- 22 pays for those costs on a long-term basis. So

- 1 there hasn't been any allocation with respect to
- 2 CTA/Metra. Everyone else has been paying the cost
- 3 except for CTA/Metra under the rider.
- 4 Q. You mean, so the little old ladies on the
- 5 west side, and all those people are paying the
- 6 actual costs now?
- 7 A. The little old ladies all over the service
- 8 territory who are residential customers are paying
- 9 for portions of it, as well as the larger
- 10 industrial customers are also paying for portions
- 11 of it, as per the IIEC's proposal in that case.
- 12 MR. GOWER: I believe in the 09-0263 order all
- 13 but the railroad class was assessed costs based
- 14 upon the weighted meter factor in accordance with
- 15 the IIEC --
- 16 MR. ROONEY: I object at this point. That order
- 17 speaks for itself.
- 18 MR. RIPPIE: And I'm not allowed to talk, and I
- 19 was the lawyer in the case.
- 20 MR. ROONEY: So if Metra wants to submit
- 21 testimony, they can't do so. They had their
- 22 chance.

- 1 JUDGE DOLAN: Mr. Balough, are you waiving then?
- 2 MR. BALOUGH: I have a few more questions.
- 3 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 4 BY
- 5 MR. BALOUGH:
- 6 Q. Mr. Garcia, as to those six meters, are
- 7 they installed on the CTA system or the Metra
- 8 system?
- 9 A. I don't recall.
- 10 Q. Do you know what information the CTA
- 11 receives? Then you would not know what information
- 12 the CTA receives, if any, from those meters; is
- 13 that correct?
- 14 A. I would not.
- 15 Q. Just so the record is clear, I know
- 16 Mr. Gower talked to you about this, but I just want
- 17 to make sure. He talked about it from the
- 18 perspective of Metra. I just want to make sure.
- 19 You didn't contact the CTA and say, Now,
- 20 what is the reason that you're opposing the
- 21 imposition of these costs on the CTA, did you?
- 22 **A.** No.

- 1 Q. And you didn't talk to counsel for CTA
- 2 about why -- what their motive might be and why
- 3 they're opposing an imposition of these costs?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. In fact, you don't know that -- you say the
- 6 cost of pursuing this litigation far exceeds the
- 7 \$1,000.
- 8 A. No, I do not.
- 9 Q. That's not what you said. Let me look at
- 10 your testimony here. You said --
- 11 A. Something of a likely rival.
- 12 Q. You don't have any idea what the cost that
- 13 CTA is paying to litigate that entire case, do you?
- 14 A. I would have to ask you what your hourly
- 15 rate is.
- 16 Q. When you filed this testimony, you had no
- 17 knowledge of what the charges were to the CTA to
- 18 litigate this case, did you?
- 19 A. I just guessed it. When you look at a
- 20 \$1,200 bill, then what outside counsel typically
- 21 charges, it's pretty comparable.
- 22 Q. Your answer is based, at best, on quessing;

- 1 is that correct?
- 2 A. That's why I said "likely," yeah.
- 3 MR. BALOUGH: I have no other questions.
- 4 JUDGE DOLAN: Thank you.
- 5 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 6 BY
- 7 MR. TOWNSEND:
- 8 Q. Good evening, Mr. Garcia.
- 9 A. Hello, Mr. Townsend.
- 10 Q. Chris Townsend appearing for REACT The
- 11 Coalition to Request Equatable Allocation of Costs
- 12 Together.
- 13 You're familiar with REACT?
- 14 A. Yes, vaguely, sir.
- 15 Q. You're the manager of Regulatory Strategies
- 16 and Solutions at ComEd?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you submitted testimony in this
- 19 proceeding relating to what ComEd calls customer
- 20 service costs and REACT calls customer care costs,
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. I'm going to refer to customer care costs
- 2 during this cross-examination today.
- 3 Can you agree to that?
- 4 A. As interchangeable with customer services,
- 5 I'm fine for the purposes of cross using that
- 6 common language, yes.
- 7 Q. You point out in your testimony that the
- 8 services that generally customer care costs
- 9 encompass nearly every aspect of the customer's
- 10 interaction with ComEd, correct?
- 11 A. Sorry. Can you say that again.
- 12 Q. You testify that the services that generate
- 13 the customer care costs encompass nearly every
- 14 aspect of the customer's interaction with ComEd,
- 15 right?
- 16 A. Where is that at?
- 17 Q. Your supplemental direct, Lines 57, 58,
- 18 Page 3?
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: So what is that ComEd Exhibit 24?
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: That's correct.
- 21 THE WITNESS: Right. Quoting basically,
- 22 Mr. Donavan's characterization, yes, he did say

- 1 that.
- 2 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 3 Q. And ComEd presented two separate studies
- 4 regarding the issue of customer care costs,
- 5 correct?
- 6 **A.** Yes.
- 7 Q. Switching study and an allocation study,
- 8 right?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And Mr. Donavan, who was previously
- 11 cross-examined is the other witness who has
- 12 testified on these issues, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. It is ComEd's position that the switching
- 15 study should be used to allocate the customer care
- 16 costs between delivery and supply functions, right?
- 17 **A.** Yes.
- 18 Q. It's ComEd's position that if the
- 19 Commission rejects the switching study approach,
- 20 then the allocation study presented by ComEd should
- 21 be used to allocate the customer care costs between
- 22 ComEd's delivery and supply functions, right?

- 1 A. Not quite. Close, but not quite.
- 2 Q. What is ComEd's position on what the
- 3 Commission should do if the Commission rejects the
- 4 switching study approach?
- 5 A. If there is an allocation that would remove
- 6 costs from the customer care bucket and allocate
- 7 them, our proposal is that it should be allocated
- 8 not only to supply as in supply customers that are
- 9 taking service from ComEd at a Rate BES or BESH,
- 10 but also they should be recovered from customers
- 11 who are served by RESs for who we are providing the
- 12 person in receivables and billing of service.
- 13 Q. Okay. But for the purposes of --
- 14 A. So it's not a supply function is where my
- 15 distinction lies. It's not a supply necessarily,
- 16 as the concept is used by Mr. Heintz. It's more
- 17 like a shared customer care function.
- 18 Q. But let me make sure that I'm clear on
- 19 ComEd's position with regards to the study.
- 20 ComEd's position is that if the
- 21 Commission rejects the switching study approach,
- 22 that the Commission should endorse ComEd's

- 1 allocation study that was presented in ComEd's
- 2 supplemental direct testimony, correct?
- 3 A. As a second best solution, yeah, I believe
- 4 that's correct. We believe ours is the one that
- 5 should be used in the alternative to the switching
- 6 study.
- 7 Q. And you understand that REACT's position is
- 8 that the Commission should use the allocation study
- 9 with certain modifications articulated by REACT
- 10 witness Jeff Merola, right?
- 11 A. Yes, that's my understanding.
- 12 Q. And REACT does not advocate it preventing
- 13 recovery of any customer care cost that ComEd has
- 14 incurred, right?
- 15 A. What do you mean "advocate it" in that
- 16 context?
- 17 Q. REACT as not presented any testimony
- 18 suggesting that ComEd should not be able to recover
- 19 its full revenue requirements associated with
- 20 customer care, right?
- 21 A. I don't know if I can agree with that
- 22 statement.

- 1 Q. Can you point to a place in the testimony
- 2 where REACT has suggested that ComEd should not
- 3 fully recover the revenue requirements associated
- 4 with its provision of customer care?
- 5 A. Can I fully? I'm sorry. What was the last
- 6 half of that?
- 7 Q. Recover the revenue requirements associated
- 8 with the provision of customer care?
- 9 A. No, that wasn't the basis for my previous
- 10 response, no.
- 11 Q. So you would agree that REACT has not
- 12 presented any testimony suggesting that ComEd
- 13 should be prevented from recovering the full
- 14 revenue requirement associated with the provision
- 15 of customer care?
- 16 A. Prevented, I don't -- I don't know if
- 17 that's fully accurate. I will just say no.
- 18 Q. Can you point to a place in REACT's
- 19 testimony where it is suggested that there is a
- 20 portion of ComEd's revenue requirement that it
- 21 should not be allowed to recover with respect to
- 22 customer care?

- 1 A. No, I cannot point to such testimony. If I
- 2 might, what is causing me --
- 3 Q. There is no pending question.
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: Just answer the question,
- 5 Mr. Garcia.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Sorry.
- 7 MR. TOWNSEND: Thank you.
- 8 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 9 Q. In your testimony, you point to Section
- 10 16-102 of the Act, the definition of delivery
- 11 services, correct? It's in your supplemental
- 12 direct, ComEd Exhibit 24.0 Page 4, Lines 74 to 75.
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: If I may approach, your Honor.
- 14 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 15 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 16 Q. I'm handing you what is being marked as
- 17 REACT Cross-Exhibit 28, which is the portion of the
- 18 Public Utilities Act. And in particular, I would
- 19 like to direct your attention to the definition of
- 20 delivery services.

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- 1 (Whereupon, REACT Cross-Exhibit
- No. 28 was marked for
- 3 identification.)
- 4 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 5 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 6 Q. I believe that the pending question was you
- 7 that do refer to the definition of delivery
- 8 services in Section 16-1 02 of the Act in your
- 9 testimony, correct?
- 10 **A.** Yes, I do.
- 11 Q. And the definition of delivery services
- 12 means those services provided by the electric
- 13 utility that are necessary in order for the
- 14 transmission and distribution systems to function
- 15 so that retail customers located in the electric
- 16 utility service area can receive electric power and
- 17 energy from suppliers other than the electric
- 18 utility and shall include without limitation
- 19 standard meter and billing services, right?
- 20 A. Yes, that's what the highlighted section
- 21 says.
- 22 Q. Your testimony just quotes the last phrase

- 1 about standard metering and billing services,
- 2 right?
- 3 **A.** Yes.
- 4 Q. But you would agree that the definition
- 5 does not include costs associated with supply to be
- 6 included in delivery services, right?
- 7 A. Costs? I'm sorry? Costs associated with?
- 8 Q. Costs to be included in delivery services.
- 9 A. Yeah, I'm sorry. With respect to the word
- 10 "supplies," I was trying to have you repeat what
- 11 you had said.
- 12 Q. The definition of delivery services refers
- 13 only to the transmission in distribution systems,
- 14 right?
- 15 A. In the first part of that definition, yes.
- 16 Q. And it doesn't say anything with regard to
- 17 supply system, correct?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. So the definition doesn't say that
- 20 supply-related costs should be included in delivery
- 21 services, correct?
- 22 A. Supply-related?

- 1 Q. Supply-related costs. I will withdraw the
- 2 question.
- I want to discuss the basic amount of
- 4 customer care costs that need to be allocated.
- 5 A. All right.
- 6 Q. In other words, before the Commission can
- 7 determine how to allocate the customer care costs,
- 8 how to split up the pie, it's actually necessary to
- 9 determine the size of the pie, right?
- 10 A. Conceptually, yes.
- 11 Q. And ComEd included only direct operations
- 12 and maintenance or O&M costs associated with
- 13 customer care in its analysis; isn't that correct?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And that's true in both the switching study
- 16 and the allocation study, right?
- 17 A. Correct.
- 18 Q. Did the Commission state in its order in
- 19 the Special Investigation Proceeding, Docket
- 20 No. 08-0532 that ComEd should only study direct O&M
- 21 costs associated with customer care?
- 22 A. Did it expressly state that?

- 1 Q. Yes.
- 2 A. I don't recall any expressed statements to
- 3 that effect.
- 4 Q. Would you agree with Mr. Donavan that by
- 5 including only direct O&M costs in its analysis,
- 6 ComEd specifically excluded customer care costs
- 7 associated with compensation of officers and
- 8 executives, employee pensions, payroll taxes,
- 9 office supplies, rent, fees paid to consultants,
- 10 and insurance?
- 11 A. Mr. Townsend, do you have a reference to
- 12 where Mr. Donavan stated that?
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: It's in cross-examination. I
- 14 don't have the transcript.
- 15 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 16 Q. Would you agree that those costs
- 17 are excluded from the analysis of the direct O&M
- 18 costs?
- 19 A. I don't have the same level of budgetary
- 20 familiarity that Mr. Donavan has, but I would
- 21 accept his response as being accurate.
- 22 Q. Did ComEd include any depreciation

- 1 expenses in its customer care cost analysis?
- 2 **A.** No.
- 3 Q. And depreciation expenses are related to
- 4 ComEd's capital investments, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And those capital investments, as they
- 7 relate to customer care, included the costs of
- 8 capitalizing software for computer systems that
- 9 provided customer service and billing; is that
- 10 correct?
- 11 A. Yeah, very generally, I could say yes.
- 12 Speculatively, very generally.
- 13 Q. In fact, no capital costs associated with
- 14 customer care costs are included in either the
- 15 switching study or the allocation study, right?
- 16 A. Yeah, that I could say more definitely,
- 17 yes. It was solely O&M.
- 18 Q. By not including capital costs in the
- 19 analysis, ComEd also excludes any return on rate
- 20 base by ComEd; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. You're aware that Staff agrees with REACT's

- 1 position that ComEd should include all customer
- 2 care costs in its analysis, correct?
- 3 A. Are you referring to Mr. Rukosuev.
- 4 Q. Rukosuev, R-u-k-o-s-u-e-v?
- 5 JUDGE SAINSOT: Rukosuev, I worked at it.
- 6 MR. TOWNSEND: Thank you, your Honor.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Are you referring to
- 8 Mr. Rukosuev's testimony?
- 9 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 11 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 12 Q. And Staff Witness, Mr. Rukosuev, agrees
- 13 with Mr. Merola that the pie should not be limited
- 14 to just direct O&M costs, right?
- 15 A. That's my recollection, yes.
- 16 Q. And so the size of the pie, according to
- 17 both the staff witness and REACT witness, is the
- 18 size of \$435.3 million rather than just the \$176.2
- 19 million as proposed by ComEd, right?
- 20 A. I don't recall the exact numbers.
- 21 Q. Will you accept those numbers, subject to
- 22 check?

- 1 A. Sure. Fine.
- 2 Q. Mr. Rukosuev goes on to say:
- 3 "In other words, since
- 4 ComEd's general ECOSS allocates all
- 5 direct and indirect costs among all
- 6 customers, the allocation of customer
- 7 care costs should also be determined in
- 8 the same way; that means including direct,
- 9 administrative and general, and other
- 10 applicable indirect costs in the
- 11 analysis."
- 12 Right?
- 13 A. I believe that's correct.
- 14 Q. You disagree with his point, and in your
- 15 surrebuttal testimony -- could you turn to your
- 16 surrebuttal testimony?
- 17 **A.** Yeah.
- 18 Q. Lines 127 to 133.
- 19 JUDGE SAINSOT: What exhibit?
- MR. ROONEY: 74.0 revised.
- 21 THE WITNESS: What were the lines again?
- 22 MR. TOWNSEND: 74.0 at Lines 127 to 133. Okay.

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. Then you say a simple review of any
- 3 Schedule 1A of any of the ECOSS as presented by
- 4 Mr. Heintz in this proceeding that not all
- 5 associated costs are allocated to the electric
- 6 power and energy supply related operations; namely,
- 7 the supply administration subfunction in ComEd's
- 8 ECOSS.
- 9 This is because not all of the
- 10 associated costs are reflected in the supply
- 11 charges determined under Rider PE, purchased
- 12 electricity, Rider PE and rate BESH, basic electric
- 13 service hourly pricing rate, B-E-S-H, correct?
- 14 A. That's correct.
- 15 Q. So it's your testimony that only direct O&M
- 16 costs are allocated to supply administration in the
- 17 ECOSS?
- 18 A. Say that again.
- 19 Q. It's your testimony that only direct O&M
- 20 costs are allocated to supply administration
- 21 subfunction in ComEd's ECOSS?
- 22 **A.** No.

- 1 Q. That's not what that testimony says?
- 2 **A.** No.
- 3 Q. You agree that costs other than direct O&M
- 4 costs are allocated to supply administration in the
- 5 ECOSS, right?
- 6 A. There are a few, but not to the extent we
- 7 are talking about here. It's a little different
- 8 study they do there. It's not all, but they are
- 9 very targeted, some that is reflected in the stack.
- 10 Q. Many of the costs that Mr. Merola
- 11 criticizes for ComEd not including in its customer
- 12 care costs here are allocated to the supply
- 13 administration charge, right?
- 14 A. I don't recall what ones he criticized.
- 15 Q. Do you recall which costs are included in
- 16 the supply administration charge?
- 17 A. I believe when we make those filings, the
- 18 filings reflect an allocation of the full labor
- 19 costs of the employee, so it would be labor plus
- 20 pension and benefits. The pension and benefits
- 21 would be the one difference there.
- They also do some training expense, and

- 1 it's solely devoted to that, and that purpose
- 2 of the procurement function. And then there is a
- 3 direct assignment of certain software systems that
- 4 are used exclusively, I believe, and solely by the
- 5 department in question.
- 6 So these are costs that are easily
- 7 identifiable from ComEd's list of costs, I guess
- 8 you could say.
- 9 Q. Would you agree, subject to check, that
- 10 depreciation expenses are, in fact, allocated to
- 11 the supply administration charge?
- 12 A. I don't recall depreciation specifically. I
- 13 have no basis to refute it since there is, I
- 14 believe, some intangible plant.
- MR. TOWNSEND: May I approach, your Honor?
- 16 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes, you may.
- 17 MR. TOWNSEND: I will hand you REACT
- 18 Cross-Exhibit 29, which is an excerpt from one of
- 19 the embedded cost-of-service studies presented in
- 20 ComEd Exhibit 75.1, and ask you to turn to Page 16,
- 21 Line 218.

- 1 (Whereupon, REACT Deposition
- 2 Exhibit No. 29 was marked for
- identification.)
- 4 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 5 Q. There it does reflect that there is a
- 6 depreciation expense associated with intangible
- 7 plant that has been allocated to the supply
- 8 administration charge, right?
- 9 A. Yes, I believe that's the software systems
- 10 and stuff that I referred to before.
- 11 Q. But none of the depreciation associated
- 12 with customer care costs have been included in
- 13 either the allocation study or the switching study,
- 14 right?
- 15 **A.** No.
- 16 Q. And taxes, other than income, have been
- 17 allocated to the supply administration charge,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- 20 Q. You can see that on Schedule 1?
- 21 A. That's correct.
- 22 Q. On Page 19, Line 267 allocation of

- 1 \$137,840.00, right?
- 2 A. Right.
- 3 Q. But none of the taxes, other than income,
- 4 associated with customer care costs have been
- 5 included in either of the allocation studies
- 6 presented by ComEd, right?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. And employee benefits and pensions,
- 9 likewise, are allocated through the supply
- 10 administration charge, but not included in either
- 11 one of the studies conducted by ComEd, right?
- 12 A. Correct.
- 13 Q. Can you turn to your surrebuttal testimony,
- 14 ComEd Exhibit 74 revised, at Page 8, Lines 170 to
- 15 172. Let me know when you're there.
- 16 **A.** Okay.
- 17 Q. There, you criticize Mr. Merola for not
- 18 offering evidence regarding the impact of REACT's
- 19 proposed cost allocation on residential competition
- 20 or any explanation of how it may encourage
- 21 development of the residential market, right?
- 22 A. "Criticize" is a nasty word, but, yeah, I

- 1 note that.
- 2 Q. You're not suggesting that the cost should
- 3 not be allocated accurately just because Mr. Merola
- 4 didn't present that piece of evidence, are you?
- 5 A. I'm sorry. I'm not following your
- 6 question. Can you say that again.
- 7 Q. I will withdraw the question.
- 8 Would you agree with ComEd Witness
- 9 Dr. Hemphill that economics teaches us that without
- 10 doubt that when rates are not based on costs,
- 11 customers receive signals that tell them to behave
- 12 in inefficient and costly ways, and as a result
- 13 society's harmed through misallocation of
- 14 resources?
- 15 A. That's a generally held economic principle,
- 16 yes.
- 17 Q. Do you agree with it?
- 18 A. Yes, generally.
- 19 Q. Would you agree with Dr. Hemphill that in a
- 20 restructured market such as the Illinois Electric
- 21 Retail Market that it's even more important to
- 22 accurately reflect cost causation?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. You would also agree with Dr. Hemphill that
- 3 customers do respond to delivery rates and delivery
- 4 rate design, correct?
- 5 A. Customers respond to rates --
- 6 Q. Do the price signals contained in
- 7 rates --
- 8 A. Price signals, yes.
- 9 Q. And you'd agree with Dr. Hemphill that rate
- 10 designs that miss allocate costs are sending
- 11 customers inaccurate price signals, right?
- 12 **A.** Yes.
- 13 Q. And those inaccurate price signals then
- 14 result in inefficiency and harm to society,
- 15 correct?
- 16 **A.** Yes.
- 17 Q. And, actually, regardless of what
- 18 Dr. Hemphill or Mr. Merola say, the Commission does
- 19 have an obligation to encourage competition, right?
- 20 A. I believe I've seen that in a statute or
- 21 two, something to that effect.
- 22 Q. Section 16-101A of the Public Utilities Act

- 1 directs the Illinois Commerce Commission to promote
- 2 the development of impeccably competitive
- 3 electricity market that operates efficiently and is
- 4 equitable to all consumers, right?
- 5 A. I don't have it in front of me, but I will
- 6 take your word on that.
- 7 Q. By the way, in the 2007 ComEd rate case and
- 8 in the Special Investigation Proceeding, Mr. Merola
- 9 did provide testimony explaining why accurate
- 10 allocation is procompetitive, didn't he?
- 11 A. I don't recall.
- MR. TOWNSEND: May I approach, your Honor?
- 13 JUDGE SAINSOT: Yes.
- 14 MR. TOWNSEND: I will hand you what is being
- 15 marked as REACT Cross-Exhibit 30 an excerpt from
- 16 the corrected rebuttal testimony of Jeffrey Merola
- 17 on behalf REACT.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: You're going to tie this up,
- 19 right, Mr. Townsend?
- 20 MR. TOWNSEND: Yes.

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- 1 (Whereupon, REACT Deposition
- 2 Exhibit No. 30 was marked for
- identification.)
- 4 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 5 Q. At Lines 98 to 100, Mr. Merola testified
- 6 that such cross-subsidization would hamper and
- 7 potentially even prevent competition from
- 8 developing for residential and small commercial
- 9 customers, correct?
- 10 MR. ROONEY: I object to the extent that there
- 11 is not a foundation that this witness has seen this
- 12 testimony before. He wasn't a witness in the -- I
- 13 don't believe Mr. Garcia was a witness in the '07
- 14 rate case.
- 15 JUDGE SAINSOT: Where are you going with this?
- 16 MR. TOWNSEND: Well, he's criticized Mr. Merola
- 17 for, apparently, not including some testimony in
- 18 this case with regards to this issue. And, in
- 19 fact,
- 20 Mr. Merola has included testimony in this case on
- 21 this issue and this is that testimony.
- 22 MR. ROONEY: This testimony is from a different

- 1 case.
- 2 MR. TOWNSEND: Which was then incorporated by
- 3 Mr. Merola into his testimony in this case.
- 4 JUDGE SAINSOT: Why do we care about all this?
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: Because Mr. Garcia suggests that
- 6 this evidence was not presented in this case and,
- 7 in fact, it was.
- 8 JUDGE SAINSOT: I have to raise my previous
- 9 question, why do we care?
- 10 MR. TOWNSEND: Because Mr. Merola provides
- 11 fairly clear explanations as to why, if you have
- 12 the inaccurate allocation of costs, residential
- 13 competition would be harmed, and how residential
- 14 competition could even be prevented from developing
- 15 if you don't have accurate allocation of customer
- 16 care costs.
- 17 JUDGE SAINSOT: Here's my thing, so what if
- 18 Mr. -- I don't see the testimony that you're citing
- 19 as putting a chink in that for lack of a better
- 20 word.
- 21 So I'm going to sustain your objection
- 22 because I think this is not relevant.

- 1 BY MR. TOWNSEND:
- 2 Q. Would you agree, Mr. Garcia, that by
- 3 referencing his testimony in other proceedings,
- 4 Mr. Merola did, in fact, include in his testimony
- 5 in this proceeding evidence with regards to the
- 6 impact on residential customer choice?
- 7 MR. ROONEY: Objection. I'm not sure where
- 8 Mr. Merola referenced that testimony, and
- 9 referencing it doesn't necessarily mean
- 10 incorporating it.
- 11 JUDGE SAINSOT: Are we back on Mr. Merola? What
- 12 is was your question?
- 13 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm just asking him if he would
- 14 agree that now his testimony that he provided in
- 15 the written testimony is inaccurate based on the
- 16 fact that Mr. Merola did incorporate this testimony
- 17 by reference.
- 18 JUDGE SAINSOT: I thought we had that all
- 19 organized. Okay. I'm just going to say this one
- 20 more time. Move on to another line of questioning.
- 21 MR. TOWNSEND: No further questions, your Honor.
- 22 JUDGE SAINSOT: You want to take a few minutes?

- 1 MR. ROONEY: Just a couple minutes, your Honors.
- JUDGE SAINSOT: For the record, it's 10 of 6:00.
- 3 We are all getting a little grumpy.
- 4 MR. ROONEY: Your Honors, we have no redirect
- 5 for Mr. Garcia.
- 6 JUDGE DOLAN: Then, Mr. Garcia, you're excused.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 8 JUDGE DOLAN: With that, we are adjourned till
- 9 tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m.
- 10 (Whereupon, these proceedings
- 11 were adjourned and continued
- 12 to January 20, 2011 at the
- 13 hour of 9:00 a.m.)
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